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The darkest of days

Southwest Michigan felt the shock, grief of JFK assassination

First lady Jacqueline Kennedy and President John F. Kennedy stand at attention during the national anthem at a reception June 30, 1962, during their state visit to Mexico City.
Henry Burroughs / AP

The murder of a nation's leader is something we fancy as characteristic of medieval palace intrigues and "backward" countries. It's not supposed to happen in an affluent, modern America, ruled by law and popular mandate.

But it did.

Fifty years ago this coming Friday, President John F. Kennedy was gunned down as his motorcade traveled through Dealey Plaza in downtown Dallas.

The news shocked America, including Southwest Michigan, which favored Kennedy's opponent, Richard Nixon, in the 1960 election.

It was the first presidential assassination in the age of mass broadcasting. The news traveled swiftly and bluntly to millions of Americans at home, at work, in school or traveling.

Furthermore, millions of Americans saw accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald shot to death Nov. 24 on live television by Jack Ruby at a Dallas police station.

Schools and workplaces across the nation closed Nov. 25, so students and workers could watch the funeral parade and services on television.

Today, 22 Southwest Michigan residents share their recollections.

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Kevin Scheer of St. Joseph Township secured this copy of the Nov. 22, 1963, News-Palladium.

The quiet

I was 16 at the time ... and in Benton Harbor High School and on my way to study hall when over the announcement speaker came the awful news of the president being shot and then another announcement that he had died.

There was such a quietness and sadness among us teenagers at school. As there was no school on the day of his funeral, while others may have choose not to watch the funeral on TV, I remember being glued to the TV. How can any of us not recall John John saluting the casket as it passed by. What stuck me at the time, was I, just a teenager, was watching part of history that would be remembered always.

Karen Coffey
Stevensville

In Dallas

I was in first grade at Dealey Elementary School in Dallas, Texas, about 20 minutes from Dealey Plaza. Some of my classmates had gone with their families to watch the president's motorcade pass through downtown.

I will never forget the teachers crying as they lined us up from recess to return to the classroom. As we stood in line, they told us what had happened.

Many years later my father served on the board that created the Sixth Floor Museum in the Texas School Book Depository Building, located at Dealey Plaza.

Cathy Froggatt
St. Joseph

Jolted

Our sleepy Friday afternoon study time at Trinity Lutheran School was soon to be forever etched in our memory.

Our instructor, Mr. Dorr, abruptly left the classroom, returning

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NYC election marks milestone

Next mayor is first white politician with a black spouse to be voted into a major U.S. office

By JESSE WASHINGTON
AP National Writer

Another milestone is passing in America's racial journey: The next mayor of New York City is a white man with a black wife.

Even in a nation with a biracial president, where interracial marriage is more accepted and common than ever, Bill de Blasio's marriage to Chirlane McCray is remarkable: He is apparently the first white politician in U.S. history elected to a major office with a black spouse by his side.

This simple fact is striking a deep chord in many people as de Blasio prepares to take office on Jan. 1, with

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AP file photo

New York Democratic mayoral candidate Bill de Blasio embraces his son Dante (left), daughter Chiara (second left), and wife Chirlane McCray after polls closed in the city's primary election Sept. 10 in New York. De Blasio and his wife settled in the Park Slope neighborhood of the Brooklyn borough of New York largely because they felt that their interracial relationship would be accepted there, the mayor-elect has said.

Mich. bill would force disclosure of law's effect on premiums

By DAVID EGGERT
Associated Press

LANSING — State legislators are sharply divided over an emerging plan to require Michigan insurance companies to tell policyholders the impact of the federal health care law on their premiums.

Legislation pending in the Republican-led House would require that insurers give customers annual estimates of the overhaul's effect on premiums – likely in renewal notices – including, but not limited to, taxes, assessments and other requirements of the law. The companies also would have to include a statement saying that the estimate is attributable to the Affordable Care Act and not the passage of any laws or regulations by the governor, state lawmakers or state regulators.

The bill's sponsor, Republican Rep. Mike Shirkey of Clark Lake, says the estimate would not be unlike many other government-mandated disclaimers that businesses have to give customers. Constituents are calling his office in frustration to ask how to navigate the law, distrustful that insurers are using

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Legal wrangling ahead in Michigan porch shooting case

By MIKE HOUSEHOLDER
Associated Press

DETROIT — The way Renisha Marie McBride's young life ended Nov. 2 is not in dispute: A homeowner in suburban Detroit fatally shot the 19-year-old in the face as she stood on his porch before the sun came up.

Almost every other aspect of the case is not as clear-cut.

Did race play a role in the shooting? What exactly happened on that doorstep? Did the homeowner reasonably believe he was acting in self-defense?

Police and prosecutors say Theodore Paul Wafer fired once with a 12-gauge shotgun through his screen door at McBride.

The 54-year-old airport maintenance employee, who faces murder and manslaughter charges, is free on bail awaiting a Dec. 18 hearing that will determine if the case should go to trial.

Ron Bretz, a Cooley Law School professor and former criminal defense attorney, says the case may boil down to a single word.

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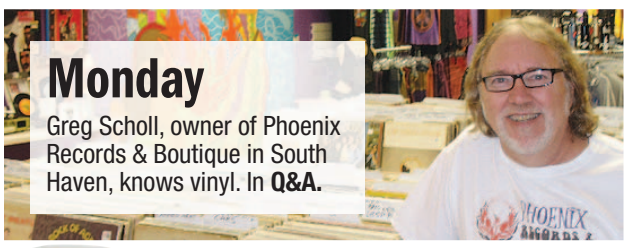

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Michigan

Bizarre bazaar: Deer crashes holiday event

CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP (AP) — A holiday bazaar turned bizarre on Friday when a deer crashed through an office window at the village of East Harbor senior living community's grounds.

The young buck shattered glass, and startled staff and hundreds of guests and residents attending the bazaar, according to The Detroit News reported.

"We're having a holiday bazaar and it turned into a very bizarre day," marketing manager Carolyn Martin said.

She said that an employee walking near the unoccupied office heard the crash, opened the door and saw the buck "thrashing about." The deer then hopped back out the window.

The buck had apparently wandered from nearby woods. Police and staff searched for the buck to check on its condition and believe they spotted it before it ran away again, Martin said.

It's the time of year when deer are mating, which makes bucks more aggressive, said Russ Mason of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

If the buck "saw his reflection – that's a competitor to him," Mason said. "He's going to try to drive him out."

2 EMU students 'naked and hallucinating'

YPSILANTI (AP) — Police say two Eastern Michigan University students were found "naked and hallucinating" on campus.

According to university Police Chief Bob Heighes, the two 18-year-olds ingested a synthetic hallucinogenic drug in a dorm room.

The first student was seen running around partially naked inside the lobby of a residence Hall at 12:29 a.m. Friday. He was taken into custody, then to the hospital. The other student was found completely nude outside a residence hall at 5:57 a.m. He also was taken to the hospital.

The Ann Arbor News reported both men were released from the hospital Friday, and Heighes said prosecutors will make the decision on whether to authorize any charges.

3 wolves killed in 1st day of wolf hunt

DETROIT (AP) — The state reports that three gray wolves were killed in the first day of Michigan's wolf hunt.

Friday was the start of the wolf hunt, which is the first in the state since the animal was placed on the endangered species list nearly 40 years ago. A total of 1,200 people are licensed to participate in the hunt taking place in three Upper Peninsula zones.

Michigan is the sixth state to authorize wolf hunting following the removal of federal protections in recent years. The season runs through December, unless the maximum kill of 43 is reached beforehand.

The Department of Natural Resources estimates the state's wolf population at 658.

Officials deliver energy policy report

LANSING (AP) — State officials have submitted the latest in a series of reports that Gov. Rick Snyder says will help Michigan make decisions about future energy policies.

The "Additional Areas" report deals with reliability of electricity, rates and prices, and natural gas infrastructure. Among the material is a section on the role of states versus the role of regional transmission operators or independent system operators for reliability.

Another section covers the linkage between natural gas prices and electricity prices.

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Geithner to join private equity firm

Former U.S. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner, who played a central role in the government's response to the financial crisis of 2008-2009, is joining private equity firm Warburg Pincus LLC.

The firm announced Saturday that Geithner will serve as its president and managing director starting March 1.

Geithner led the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for more than five years before becoming Treasury secretary in 2009, when the economy had sunk into a deep recession.

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Bomber kills 6 in Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A suicide car bomber tore through the Afghan capital Saturday, just hours after President Hamid Karzai announced U.S. and Afghan negotiators had agreed on a draft deal allowing U.S. troops to remain in the country beyond a 2014 deadline.

The suicide bomber attacked security forces protecting the Loya Jirga site, Interior Ministry spokesman Sediq Sediqqi said. He said the blast killed six people and wounded 22. Among the dead were two security personnel, he said.

FDA issues warning on Medtronic devices

Federal health officials say that defects in some Medtronic devices used in heart procedures are severe enough that they could cause serious injury or death.

The warning covers about 15,000 recalled guidewires, which are inserted through an artery and used to guide other devices into place, such as stents to hold open blocked arteries.

The recall notice warned hospitals and distributors worldwide that coating on the guidewires could break off, which could raise the possibility of blocking a blood vessel.

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it as an excuse to hike premiums, he said.

"Let's create a situation where there is no doubt that if your premium changed, up or down, was it associated with the Affordable Care Act?" said Shirkey, who argues that people deserve to know all its ramifications. "It casts such as big shadow and I don't mean that in a pejorative way."

Unlike other Republicans, he is not a staunch opponent of all parts of the law. He was instrumental in helping guide Medicaid expansion, a key component of "Obamacare," through the GOP-controlled Capitol.

Shirkey said one reason for pushing the bill is to insulate insurers from being improperly maligned for "delivering the bad news."

Democrats, though, say the bill is nothing more than a political ploy.

"This bill is very disappointing to me. It looks politically motivated. It is politically motivated," said Rep. Marcia Hovey-Wright, a Muskegon Democrat.

Democrats say if insurers are going to be required to tell people about the law's cost, they should also explain its benefits. Under the law, insurers must cover 10 essential benefits that will make plans more costly but also more comprehensive. Most plans also cannot deny coverage or charge more money because of pre-existing health conditions.

Democrats unsuccessfully tried to amend the legislation to include the positives before it won approval from a committee on Thursday.

"If we're going to talk about transparency, we should be ... making sure that we give an accurate picture and not just one side because I know consumers would like the whole picture so that they can make an informed decision," said Rep. Theresa Abed, a Grand Ledge Democrat.

The debate is coinciding with fallout over the faulty launch of a federal health care website in October – on which just 1,300 Michigan residents picked a plan – and estimated cancellation of 225,000 policies in Michigan that may fall short of minimum coverage standards under the law. State legislators and Gov. Rick Snyder have been just as divided over the law as Congress and President Barack Obama.

Though Medicaid coverage for more low-income residents ultimately was embraced by enough Republicans, they decided against the Republican governor's call to run a state insurance website or at least partner with the federal government on one. As early as December, the Legislature could vote on an initiative petition to ban abortion coverage from public and private health plans, including those on the government-run exchange, unless a business or individual buys a separate policy. The proposed law would go to voters in November 2014 if lawmakers do not act.

As introduced, the legislation requiring the disclosure of the health law's costs prompted concerns from insurers worried about the administrative burden and cost of calculating estimates and whether the estimates would give individuals and employers the best information.

"A substitute was adopted in committee that addressed a number of our concerns. We will continue to monitor the bill as it moves through the process," said Mark Cook, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan's vice president of government affairs.

The bill would force insurers and health maintenance organizations to tell policyholders or subscribers, in written or electronic format, an estimate of the impact on premiums by March 1 and every year after through 2018.

Rep. Lisa Posthumus Lyons, an Alton Republican, acknowledges that the health overhaul is a "political hot potato" but denies political motivations are driving the Michigan legislation.

"It sheds light on the issue and it lets consumers exactly know what they're paying for," she said.

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McCray playing a major role in his administration.

"It reflects the American values of embracing different races, ethnicities, religions. I think it's just a great symbol," said William Cohen, the former Maine senator and Secretary of Defense, who is married to a black woman.

Cohen was already a senator when he started dating Janet Langhart, a black television journalist. He proposed several times, but she feared that her race would hurt Cohen's political future. They married in 1996, a few weeks after Cohen announced he would not seek a fourth term.

"There has been that fear (of interracial marriage) on the part of politicians. I didn't have it," Cohen said. He noted that a few white politicians have married Latino or Asian women, like former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, whose wife is from Mexico, or Kentucky Sen. Mitch McConnell, who is married to the Taiwan-born former Labor Secretary Elaine Chao.

There have been black men in politics who have been married to white women, such as Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas or former Massachusetts Sen. Edward Brooke. And high-profile women such as South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley, whose parents are from India, and Mia Love, the black mayor of Saratoga Springs, Utah, are married to white men.

Yet unions of white men and black women have retained a forbidden aura, Cohen said.

"It's black and white, it's slavery and Jim Crow and the fact you can't talk about it," he said. "Black and white has been more of a taboo in the eyes of enough people to be a deterrent."

The taboo is declining, polls show.

In July, a Gallup poll found that 87 percent of Americans approved of interracial marriage – the highest rate ever – compared with 4 percent in 1958. In 2010, more than 15 percent of all new marriages were interracial, according to the Pew Research Center.

Yet statistics also indicate why de Blasio and McCray are such a rarity.

The Gallup poll showed that 14 percent of white people did not approve of intermarriage, compared with 2 percent of black people. And white men are the least likely to marry outside of their race – more than 97 percent of white men are married to white women (82 percent of black men, 65 percent of Hispanics and 48 percent of Asians marry within their own group). The figures are based on 2005 census data analyzed by Michael Rosenfeld, a Stanford University sociologist who studies interracial marriage.

Much has been made of the difficulties black women have in selecting husbands from a pool of eligible black men shrunk by unemployment and incarceration. Among black women age 35 and over, more than 25 percent have never been married, compared with about 7 percent of white women, census figures show. Black men also are twice as likely as black women to marry outside of their race, according to Rosenfeld.

American history and culture, meanwhile, are littered with troubled tales of interracial couples. There have been centuries of debate over President Thomas Jefferson fathering children with his slave Sally Hemings; Sen. Strom Thurmond fought for segregation after having a child with a black housekeeper. In his 1991 film, Spike Lee dubbed interracial sex "Jungle Fever."

All of which helps explain why many saw the matrimonial script being flipped by McCray and de Blasio.

As de Blasio and McCray celebrated on election night with their two children, Tiya Miles saw them on television and stopped in her tracks. "I was very moved," she said.

Miles, a black University of Michigan professor, recently wrote a column about being stung by the sight of so many successful black men choosing white wives. It feels like "a personal rejection of the group in which I am a part, of African American women as a whole, who have always been devalued in this society," Miles wrote.

"I think black women sit there with these feelings and they fester, and they take little bits of us over time," Miles said in an interview. "We can deal, we can manage, we keep on moving because that's our job in life, but it still affects us."

So for her, de Blasio and McCray's victory feels like confirmation – especially since McCray does not resemble the type of black woman that mainstream America usually deems beautiful, like Halle Berry or Beyonce.

"A woman who has darker skin and natural hair, and a white man," Miles said. "To see a black woman who is in a long-term relationship with children and her partner, who does not fit that stiff, narrow, idealized image of what a black woman should look like, I think is powerful."

It's more a simple sign of progress for Love, the mayor from Utah and a rising Republican star.

"I tend not to look at race in any issue," she said. However, "the fact that people are able to marry someone outside of their race without feeling as if they are going to have any issues or repercussions is a great thing."

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"It's got to be reasonable," he said. "The question is: What would a reasonable person do in these circumstances?"

That may be the key question in determining Wafer's guilt or innocence, but much else is left unknown about a case that features legal and societal implications.

Self-defense

Under a 2006 Michigan self-defense law, a homeowner has the right to use force during a break-in. Otherwise, a person must show that his or her life was in danger.

Defense lawyers are expected to argue that Wafer feared for his life when a drunken McBride – toxicology reports put her blood-alcohol content at well above the legal limit for driving – came to his door in the middle of the night hours after crashing her car blocks away in Detroit. Those factors contribute to Wafer's "very strong defense," said his lawyer, Mack Carpenter.

Prosecutors and McBride's family, meanwhile, see no justification for the slaying of the recent high school graduate. She was unarmed, they note. Plus, the screen door Wafer fired through was locked.

"Where's his reasonable belief that his life was in jeopardy or that he was in jeopardy of great bodily harm?" said lawyer Gerald Thurswell, who represents McBride's family.

It all comes down to what a jury thinks, Bretz said.

"You've got a gun. There's an unarmed young woman on your front porch," he said. "Is it reasonable to think that she's a threat to you? That's going to be a toughie.

"Is it fair to feel scared when a stranger is pounding on your door at 4 or 5 in the morning? Hell, yeah. ... Don't answer the door," Bretz said.

Race

The shooting has drawn attention from civil rights groups who called for an investigation and believe race was a factor – McBride was black; Wafer is white.

Carlos Osorio / AP

Monica McBride and Walter Ray Simmons, the parents of Renisha McBride, address the media during a news conference Friday in Southfield. Their daughter was shot on Nov. 2 in the face on Theodore P. Wafer's front porch in Dearborn Heights.

Some drew comparisons with the case of Trayvon Martin, the black teen fatally shot last year in Florida. In that case, Neighborhood Watch volunteer George Zimmerman was acquitted of second-degree murder.

Bretz said both sides would be wise to stick to a "race-neutral" strategy. "Don't go there. Keep it on the facts," he said.

"Who wants to bring race into it? Everybody else. ... The defense doesn't want that. And the prosecution doesn't want to bring it in. I don't think they need to."

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy didn't appear to completely rule it out Friday.

"In this case, the charging decision has nothing whatever to do with the race of the parties," she said. "Whether it becomes relevant later on in the case, I don't know. I'm not clairvoyant."

The missing hours

McBride crashed her 2004 Ford Taurus into a parked car in Detroit, blocks away from Wafer's home, around 1:30 a.m., according to the Dearborn Heights police report.

What isn't known is how McBride spent the time between the crash and the shooting. Wafer called 911 at 4:42 a.m., but it's not clear when he fired the fatal shot.

"We assume she was looking for help," said Thurswell, who also put forward a theory from one of McBride's two sisters, who said a drunken and disoriented McBride may have believed she was knocking on the door of her family's home since both that residence and Wafer's are corner lots.

Bretz said a potential defense argument is that McBride's extreme drunkenness posed a threat.

"Was she acting crazy? If so ... this gave (Wafer) a greater right to be afraid," Bretz said.

The toxicology report also indicated McBride's blood tested positive for the active ingredients in marijuana.

McBride's family said it doesn't matter, but Bretz said he could see the defense focusing attention on McBride's behavior.

"It makes her out not to be an angel. She got drunk and stoned and drove and crashed her car. But that's not a death-penalty offense," he said.

Wafer and McBride

McBride's father, Walter Ray Simmons, referred to the defendant as "Mr. Wafer" when he talked to reporters Friday.

He then stopped: "I don't even know why I'm saying 'Mr. Wafer.' This monster who killed my daughter."

Earlier Friday, at his arraignment, Wafer stood in a Dearborn Heights courtroom and listened as Carpenter argued for a lesser bail amount.

Carpenter described Wafer as a steadily employed high school graduate who spent a year at Northern Michigan University and whose only run-ins with the law involved a couple of decades-old drunken driving cases. Wafer cares for his 81-year-old mother, Carpenter said.

Fellow defense lawyer Cheryl Carpenter said her client has been affected by the case.

"You could see it is weighing on him, and he realizes the extent of what happened that night," she said outside of court.

"This is part of the problem with this case. There's been so much prejudgment and so much speculation," Cheryl Carpenter said. "Until we get all the facts out, and we don't even have all of the facts yet."

McBride's parents are left to wonder what could have been.

Simmons said his daughter, a 2012 Southfield High School graduate who loved cheerleading and soccer, was going back to school and had dreams of becoming a nurse, or possibly pursuing a career in the automotive field.

"She deserves to be right here today with her family," said McBride's mother, Monica McBride, who wore a pin that read: "R.I.P. Nene."

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DARKEST DAY

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moments later, visibly shaken. The eyes of all eighth-graders were on him as, in a quavering voice, he announced that President Kennedy had been shot.

No further details were offered, but the sting of those words jolted our young lives. To us, this type of tragedy was history book material, not reality.

Mr. Dorr immediately offered an impassioned prayer for the president's health and recovery. We sat stunned, many students crying and fearful.

After school we learned of his death, watching assassination coverage in our homes on black-and-white televisions. Republicans or Democrats, everyone grieved.

Gayle DeSchaaf
St. Joseph

In a daze

I was a freshman at Western Michigan University. As I left my biological science class lecture at Wood Hall the next class of students was waiting outside the classroom. They had already heard the president had been shot. I walked to my college writing class in a daze. After entering the classroom, and discussing with other students who had also heard of the shooting, our professor told us to follow him. We were led to his office, where we listened on the radio the announcement of the president's death. Class was canceled. The campus was closed. We all left campus early for Thanksgiving break. Two days later, I was standing in the living room of my home watching television when I saw Lee Harvey Oswald shot by Jack Ruby.

We often forget that Oswald also shot and killed police officer Tippit Nov. 22, 1963.

Marilyn Sue Peterson
St. Joseph

A dark room

I was 13 years old, and in the eighth grade at St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran School in Benton Harbor. I was in the gymnasium when the loudspeaker crackled; everyone in the gym stopped moving to listen as the principal's voice boomed overhead announcing that President Kennedy had been shot. I froze in place, and began to cry. I had a basketball in my hands. I bowed my head and prayed for the president. I felt the room darken; it was probably a cloud passing over the sun that darkened that room, but it felt like more than that to me.

Kathy Zerler
St. Joseph

Disbelief

When the news reports came on the TV of the president being shot, I called down to my mother, who was in the basement. She didn't believe me, and said I must have misheard. After I called down several more times, she finally came upstairs, and we saw Walter Cronkite giving the latest updates. I was only 5, but I remember that day and the days afterward.

Dave Sudhoff
Stevensville

Terrible day

The memories, even today, are vivid: A sunny Friday, late November. I am a young lawyer, one year out of law school, awaiting a hearing in the old St. Joe Courthouse.

Suddenly there seems to be a commotion in the file room next to the court. I have a few minutes so I slip back there to see what is happening. The file room clerks are next to tears, the radio says the president has been shot in Dallas.

I go back to the courtroom and tell the judge. He says "keep me informed." I go back to the file room and wait with the ladies in the clerk's office for more news. Then it comes – the president is dead!

I go back into court and Judge Zick immediately reads my expression. I approach again and confirm his worst suspicions. He announces the sad news to the court and then adjourns for the rest of the day. It is a terrible day, then the weekend is even worse.

A very bad time for all of us.

Ron Taylor
Benton Township
Retired chief judge
Berrien County Trial Court

Difficult announcement

It was sixth hour chemistry class at South Haven High School. No one had any idea what had happened. Several mundane announcements were made over the intercom then we were told of the assassination. It was almost an "oh, by the way" tone. I'm sure it was difficult for the principal. At basketball practice a few minutes later a player remarked that he didn't understand why people were crying. He said "he ain't no kin to me." Our coach said we didn't have to practice if we didn't want to. I think we all did.

Roger Olson
South Haven

Defining event

I was in Mrs. Bridges' third-grade class at North Lincoln Elementary School (St. Joseph Public Schools). We were sent home early and stayed out of school until after the funeral on Monday, Nov. 25.

I remember teachers and classmates crying after the announcement. We knew about Kruschev, the communist threat and the Bay of Pigs. It seemed that we had good reason to be afraid. This was my generation's first significant defining event.

I remember watching Walter Cronkite, Chet Huntley, David Brinkley and others broadcasting coverage of the assassination and funeral. At that time we only got four television stations (Channels 3, 5, 7 and 9). All normal broadcasting was canceled.

Kevin Gillette
Stevensville

Black days

It's strange how fate can give us one of our happiest and our saddest moments in one hour.

I had gone home for lunch, and although I knew I was getting our first color TV, I was surprised to find it on my porch – a week early – and I knew how happy my son, Bob, and daughter, Carole, would be after school.

In returning to work, the office was filled with people, and a radio blasting the news that the president was shot.

It was hard to believe, and not much work got done that afternoon.

Color TV was so new that little was transmitted in color, and it seemed that black was very appropriate. The nation was in shock.

Ellie Larsen
St. Joseph

Dismay

I learned of the assassination of President Kennedy as I was monitoring transmission of a call for equipment quality control at Michigan Bell telephone company.

The children's program, "Bozo's Circus," was playing on television. The program was interrupted to announce that President Kennedy had been shot. Western Electric workers could be heard running to the teletype machine outside my office (the tape of that transmission disappeared) and when I opened my office door I could hear horror and disbelief being expressed by the men reading the tape.

Later that day, when my husband, Eddie, came home from work, we watched with our daughter, Kim, then 7, in fascination and dismay as the horrific details of President Kennedy's death were revealed.

Gladys Peeples-Burks
Stevensville

Fear

At approximately 2:30 p.m. on Nov. 22, 1963, at Robert E. Lee Jr. High School in Danville, Va., the PA system suddenly came on in my seventh grade, seventh period, Modern Math class – my last class of the day. Someone was dialing the radio in the school office, trying to bring in a channel. We heard bits and pieces of news as the dial turned: "Bay of Pigs," "Cuban Missile Crisis," "Russia," "nuclear warheads …" I thought that we had gone to war with Russia. I remember being very afraid. Then the channel dialed-in clearly and we heard: "I repeat: The president is dead. President John F. Kennedy was assassinated today in Dallas, Texas."

Aside from my teacher crying, the classroom was silent as we absorbed the situation. We weren't at war, but our president was dead. Classes were immediately dismissed. I took the city bus home, and we watched the story unfold on television for the rest of the day and night.

Deborah K. Peterson
Stevensville

At half-staff

We had just returned from lunch. I was in first grade at Jefferson Elementary in Minot, N.D. Our teacher, Miss Rosso, came into the classroom, she had been crying. She went over to the flag, which was in a bracket above the chalkboard, took it down, set it on the chalk holder and taped it to the edge of the board as if the flag were positioned at half-staff. She then told us "Our president has just been shot ..." and proceeded to tell the class what had happened and what it means when a flag is at half-staff. I will never forget that day, my sweet teacher's tear-stained face and the lesson of a flag at half-staff.

JoAnn Biegler
Coloma

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Grim irony

I was a history and drama instructor at Watervliet High School at the time of this terrible day, and I had made reservations for my drama class to see a musical in South Bend that evening. When the news came through in the afternoon, I called the theater to inquire as to the possibility of the show being canceled. But the response from the theater was that Mr. Kennedy "would want to have the show go on"! (I'm of the opinion that greed trumped the tragic situation!)

So we motored down to the theater – to view "Camelot." I subsequently thought that that was a tragic and ironic twist of fate.

Jim Keech
Keeler

Stunned campus

Remember it like it yesterday. Veterinary Building. Michigan State. Nice sunny fall day. Physiology class. Somebody walks over to the professor and hands him a note. He tears up and says "President Kennedy has been shot. Class is over." MSU shut down for a few days. Not such a sunny day anymore. Seems like the whole campus was in a stupor.

Rob Finch
Stevensville

News on campus

It was my first year of college, and on that fateful Friday, I had a 1 o'clock class.

I hadn't heard a radio or seen a television prior to the class. While waiting for the instructor, I heard one student say to another something like, "Apparently he

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D.C. memories

I have vivid memories of that tragic weekend of Nov. 22-25, 1963, when my family and I lived in Alexandria, Va., and witnessed one of the saddest events in the history of our nation's capital.

A few months earlier, I had started a new job in Washington for the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association as associate editor of Rural Electrification Magazine. I was reading page proofs when we heard the shocking news. President Kennedy had been a strong supporter of the cooperatives. The editor and I conferred and decided to change the cover of the December magazine to a large photo of JFK. That afternoon, I wrote a special tribute to the president as the issue's major feature.

That evening, my wife and I and four children sat in tears watching the reporters give details of the Dallas shootings. The next morning we learned that the Kennedy family decided that the president's body would be transported by a special military unit from the White House to the Capitol, where the body would lie in state.

My wife and I decided to drive into the District and watch the procession Sunday. We were in awe as the procession of limousines, motorcycles, police cars and the horse-drawn caisson with the president's body came slowly by with only the sound of the drum beat. That somber scene is etched in my mind forever.

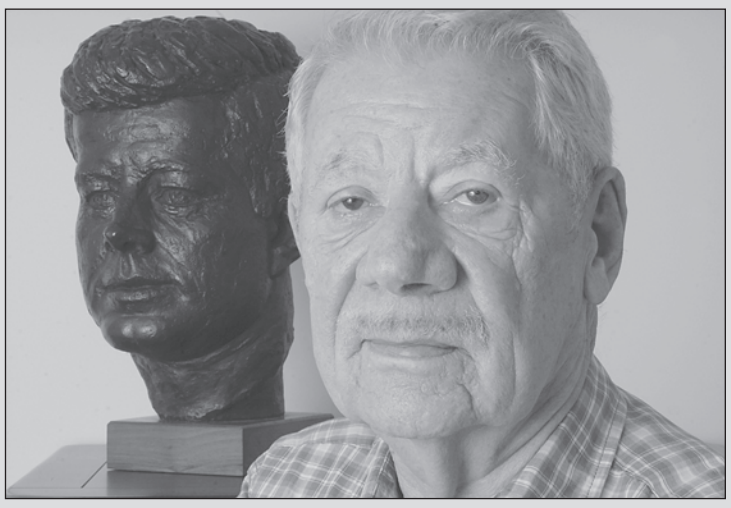
Before that procession had passed us on Pennsylvania Avenue, the news came over the radio that someone had shot Lee Harvey Oswald in Dallas.

My wife and I drove back home, and I said that we needed to go back to the Capitol that evening to pay our respects to the president. We did, and we were among the thousands who wept, still in wonderment as to how and why this terrible tragedy had occurred.

Raymond Kuhl
Stevensville

Photo by Raymond Kuhl

Raymond Kuhl of Stevensville snapped this picture of President John F. Kennedy in August 1962. Kennedy is touring the Oahe Dam near Pierre, S.D. Kuhl covered the president while working as an editor of the trade magazine South Dakota High Liner.



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Raymond Kuhl of Stevensville poses for a portrait with a bust he bought in 1964 of President Kennedy. Kuhl and his family were among the estimated 300,000 people who viewed Kennedy's casket as it lie in state in the Capitol Rotunda.

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just got shot in the arm."

I didn't ask, but thought he was talking about President Kennedy. Then the instructor arrived and said, "Let's not have class today."

I went to the library and was there maybe 90 minutes. When I was leaving and going through the security check, the co-ed in front of me, almost in tears, asked the guard, "Is he really dead?"

I ran to my dormitory, and when I got on my floor, hallway doors to each room were open and radios were blasting news of the assassination.

Michael Eliasohn
St. Joseph

The shock

I was a senior in speech class at Eau Claire High School when the principal announced that President Kennedy was dead. I remember only silence for quite a while ... such a shock to all of us. The next several days I was glued to the television watching all the broadcasts, staying up into the night for the burial ceremony. I now have 13 Look and Life magazines of those days and following events concerning this tragedy. My mother-in-law saved them for remembrance, and they are now on loan at Watervliet High School library for sharing with students, teachers and classes. What a treasure to have these pieces of our past although so very tragic and sad.

Shirley Bennett Gatchell
Bainbridge Township

Written in red

Like this year, Nov. 22, 1963, was a Friday. I was in eighth grade at St. Joseph Catholic in St. Joe. Around 2 p.m., there was an announcement over the PA system saying the president had been shot. Then they started broadcasting the news.

When school was finished, I went to the Herald-Press building on State Street in downtown St. Joe. I needed to pick up my papers for delivery. The paper was published in the afternoon back then.

When I got there, I was told that the paper was being reprinted and I needed to come back later.

When I got my papers, the headline read: "PRESIDENT IS DEAD" in red letters. I had never before seen color used in the local paper.

Jim Hettig
Lincoln Township

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Shirley Bennett Gatchell of Bainbridge Township was a senior at Eau Claire High School when President John F. Kennedy was fatally shot. Her collection of LIFE and LOOK magazines covering the president's life is on loan to the Watervliet High School library.

Without precedent

Nov. 22, 1963, turned out to be a cold, gray day in Chicago.

I was sitting in the library at Luther High School staring out the window, not focusing on anything particular when the PA system came on, with our principal stating our president was shot in Dallas, Texas. That was all the information available at that time.

One hour later the principal announced that President Kennedy was dead. We all (students and staff) were shocked and stunned with the news and we couldn't process it. Nothing like that ever happened before. All Chicago radio stations played religious music and were commercial free for three days. We had the day off school for the funeral and were all glued to our TV screens. Now the sad news. Up until this year and back 10 years, many Nov. 22s went by with no mention of JFK. How fast we revolve with time. "Oh, God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come." Peace be with you.

Alfred Mayer
Benton Harbor

Stunned at work

This old 83½-year-old man well remembers Nov. 22, 1963.

Elias Peterson and I were sweeping the warehouse floor of the Dowagiac State Liquor. Our phone rang, and it was my wife, Peg, telling us President Kennedy had just been shot in Dallas. We then listened to the breaking news on the radio. I saved the Dowagiac Daily News newspaper.

Being a late afternoon paper, they were able to put on the front page in big black five-inch letters "JFK DEAD" and a large picture of him. My other two papers had to wait for the Saturday editions.

On Saturday we got a call from Lansing to have our flag in the lobby put at half-mast and close the store for Saturday and Monday.

Charlie Gill
Dowagiac

At the doctor

Arnie, I, Brian and Darrel Klug were in Dr. Rambo's office in Bridgman. We were there for Darrel's four-month check-up. The news came while we were there.

Darrel is deceased as of Christmas Eve, 2009, from lupus, and Arnie is also deceased as of Feb. 4, 2013.

I have newspapers buried deep in a trunk in the attic, which someday the two remaining children will find.

Mildred Klug
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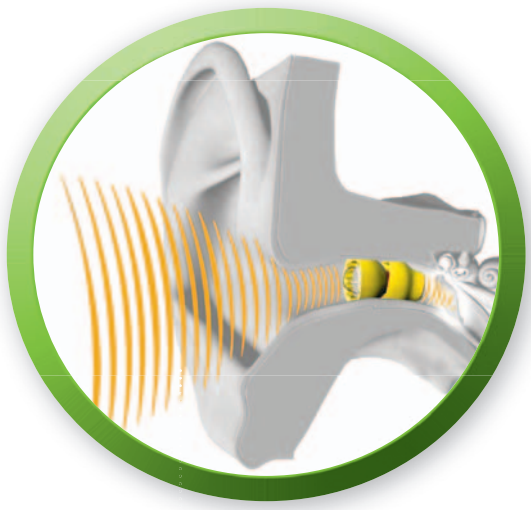

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25 years ago

A $325,000 expansion project at the South Haven Memorial Library at 314 Broadway is now underway and should be completed by May, according to Librarian Martha Gray.

St. Joseph High School will present its all-school play, "I Remember Mama," Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

35 years ago

Stephen E. Upton, vice president of consumer affairs for Whirlpool Corp., and James W. Tiscornia, executive vice president of Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co., have accepted appointments as general co-chairmen for the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph YMCA's $2 million building fund campaign to be conducted between now and July 1979. Construction of the 40,000-square-foot YMCA building is scheduled to begin in 1979 on Hollywood Road in Royalton Township.

50 years ago

The first formal opposition to the proposed Coloma-Watervliet school merger was organized at a meeting of 11 Watervliet city and township residents. The taxpayers, parents, school alumni and civic leaders who will work to defeat the merger proposal when it comes to a vote named themselves "Friends of Watervliet Schools." Frank Runyon, Watervliet township supervisor and spokesman, said the group's purpose is twofold: to preserve the present school district and to maintain home rule.

Today in history

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Sunday, Nov. 17, the 321st day of 2013. There are 44 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On Nov. 17, 1800, Congress held its first session in Washington in the partially completed Capitol building.

On this date:

In 1558, Elizabeth I acceded to the English throne upon the death of Queen Mary.

In 1869, the Suez Canal opened in Egypt.

In 1911, the African-American fraternity Omega Psi Phi was founded at Howard University in Washington, D.C.

In 1934, Lyndon Baines Johnson married Claudia Alta Taylor, better known as Lady Bird, in San Antonio, Texas.

In 1962, Washington's Dulles International Airport was dedicated by President John F. Kennedy.

In 1969, the first round of Strategic Arms Limitation Talks between the United States and the Soviet Union opened in Helsinki, Finland.

In 1970, the Soviet Union landed a remote-controlled vehicle on the moon, the Lunokhod 1.

In 1973, President Richard Nixon told Associated Press managing editors in Orlando, Fla.: "People have got to know whether or not their president is a crook. Well, I'm not a crook."

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
T-storms Likely	Few Showers	Rain/Snow	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy
65º	41º	43º / 34º	41º / 33º	45º / 36º	46º / 37º

Local Outlook

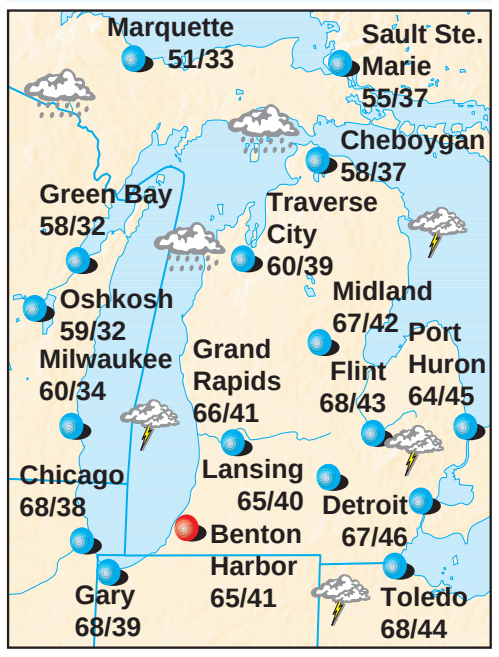
Today we will see cloudy skies with a 70% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 65º, humidity of 72%. South wind 25 to 30 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 40% chance of showers, overnight low of 41º.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise . . . . . 7:39 a.m.
Sunset . . . . . 5:22 p.m.
Moonrise. . . . . 5:38 p.m.
Moonset . . . . . 7:33 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
11/17	11/25	12/2	12/9

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor yesterday

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High	54º
Low	39º
Normal High	47º
Normal Low	33º
Record High	68º in 1952
Record Low	18º in 1972

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	2.32"
Normal month to date	1.76"
Year to date	29.15"
Normal year to date	32.79"

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101-150....Sensitive
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Weather Trivia

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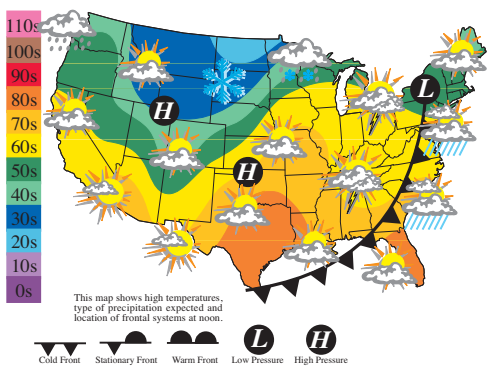
Answer: A cloud of radiocative debris circled the Earth several times.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Nov. 17, 2013



Lake Michigan

Today, south gales to 35 kt increasing to 40 kt and becoming southwest during the afternoon. Showers with a chance of thunderstorms in the morning, then showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Expect cloudy skies today with scattered rain. Skies will remain cloudy Monday with scattered snow. Tuesday we will see mostly sunny to partly cloudy skies.

Lower Peninsula

Expect cloudy skies today with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Skies will be partly cloudy to cloudy Monday with isolated rain and snow. Tuesday, skies will be mostly sunny.

Calif. high school to keep 'Arabs,' may change mascot

THERMAL, Calif. (AP) — School officials in Southern California say the "Arabs" name is here to stay, but the divisive costumed mascot that represents them may be changing.

The Coachella Valley Unified School District held a special meeting Friday night to address the recent dustup over the Coachella Valley High School Arabs and their bearded, snarling mascot who wears a headscarf.

Superintendent Darryl Adams said changing the "Arabs" name used since the 1920s by the school in this town east of Palm Springs is off the table, the Desert Sun reported.

"It is a name we will keep," Adams said during the board meeting.

District officials planned to meet next week with the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, a group that has said the mascot is offensive wants it tossed. The group launched an online petition in an effort to pressure the school to abandon the mascot. So far, 900 people have signed the petition.

Adams said district officials are open to changing the polarizing image represented by the costume and will make an announcement on its future next week.

In a letter to the newspaper earlier this week, Adams said the mascot "was never intended to dishonor or ridicule anyone."

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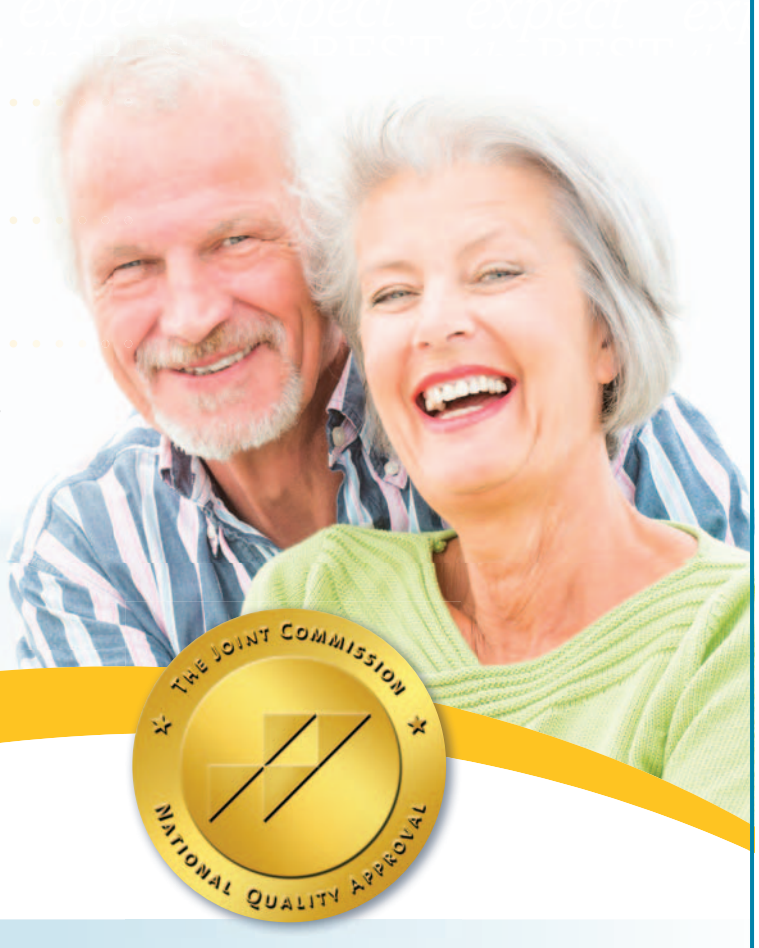

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A cop of their own

By ANDREW LERSTEN
HP Staff Writer

HARTFORD — Slot machine revenue is funding a full-time Van Buren County Sheriff's deputy for Hartford Township.

It's a first for the township, and Deputy Loren Tarner introduced himself to the Township Board on Thursday night.

The county is funding the position with revenue sharing funds it gets from the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians from slot machine revenue at the Four Winds Hartford casino in the township.

The casino sets aside 2 percent of slot machine revenue for the governmental units represented by the revenue sharing board. The deputy is not funded from the township's revenue sharing funds, Township Trustee Kurt Dowd said.

In other matters, Dowd said that after three years of work, the township Planning Commission is nearly done updating the master use plan. Public hearings are likely to be held in the near future, leading to approval of the new plan, he said.

Zoning Administrator James Lechenet said there is a possible buyer for the vacant, former Ausco plant site along Red Arrow Highway. A company representing the buyer had called seeking environmental information about the site, he said.

However, he did not have more information on the possible use being envisioned for the site.

The board voted to pay the Hartford Lions Club $750 for community holiday lighting services, up from $500 paid last year.

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Hartford schools eye bond vote

By ANDREW LERSTEN
HP Staff Writer

HARTFORD — Kingscott architects will help Hartford schools officials craft a possible November 2014 bond election.

The school board has hired Kingscott to perform a facilities study and serve as bond project architect. The 5-1 vote, with one member absent, came at a special meeting Thursday.

A week earlier, the board heard presentations from Kingscott, Tower Pinkster and GMB.

Several factors are contributing to the need for a thorough facilities study, Superintendent Andy Hubbard has said.

The warranties on the schools' roofs recently expired, and there have been several roof leaks. The district had some electrical problems, he said.

The last time district voters approved a bond for school building improvements was 1995.

Board Vice President Bill Najacht, who recommended hiring Kingscott, said he was impressed with the company's bond project success rate and with its presentation to the board last week. He also noted that if a bond issue is not approved by voters, the company will not be paid.

Voting to hire Kingscott were Najacht, Board President Ben Chambers, Treasurer Mike Banic and Trustees Lisa Johnson and Kurt Kuehnle.

Board Secretary Jason Meachum voted "no." He said he favored hiring Tower Pinkster. Trustee Tim Summerhill was absent.

Think big and work the ground game

Obama's political adviser addresses Berrien Dems

By RALPH HEIBUTZKI
H-P Correspondent

Jim Dalgleish / HP staff

David Axelrod speaks with reporters before his speech Saturday at the Heritage Center in St. Joseph. The longtime advisor to President Barack Obama told the audience the event is something of a homecoming. He has a house in Buchanan Township and his wife has performed precinct work in Benton Harbor.

ST. JOSEPH — Every generation has its long-range political goals that seem far-fetched, impossible, or unrealistic – until you actually get to achieve them.

That's how President Barack Obama's former top strategist and senior adviser, David Axelrod, described his reaction to Congress's 2010 passage of the Affordable Care Act – which reminded him of his own struggles to ensure good health care for a daughter born with uncontrolled epilepsy.

"Before the final tally was announced, I closed the door, and had a good cry," Axelrod said Saturday at the Heritage Center. "I was remembering the agony that we went through, when my child was small because of what he (Obama) had done, other families wouldn't have to go through what we went through."

The effort required to push Obama's signature legislative achievement across the finish line is typical of how big political ideas become reality, Axelrod said during his 30-minute speech.

"That's why we do what we do. That's why we knock on doors. That's why we come to meetings like this," he said.

Regardless of the current fallout surrounding the law, it still represented a landmark achievement – since seven previous presidents had failed to pass anything like it, Axelrod said.

As a 26-year-old up-and-coming reporter for The Chicago Tribune, Axelrod said he watched his daughter endure five to 10 seizures every day, from the time that she was 7 months old, he said.

Like most Americans, "I had what I thought was adequate health care – and it was great, as long as you were healthy," Axelrod said. "It didn't pay for prescription drugs, which cost $1,000 a month, and I was earning $35,000 a year."

For that reason, Axelrod predicted that the feeding frenzy surrounding the glitches plaguing the government's flagship website, healthcare.gov will fade away – once it's functioning better, and people realize the wide range of options that will be available to them.

Republican attempts to repeal the law would put people back into the same position that Axelrod formerly endured – of being denied coverage, due to his daughter's pre-existing con-

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Lincoln Township tidies up trash hauling

By ANDREW LERSTEN
HP Staff Writer

STEVENSVILLE — Lincoln Township officials say they have found a more orderly way to pick up residential trash.

Starting Feb. 1, the township will be divided into two pickup zones. The first zone, along the lakeshore and in the township's northern edge, will have Monday trash pickup. The rest of the township will have Thursday pickup.

"We've been studying this for several months," Supervisor Dick Stauffer said. "We've actually worked it out with the present haulers. They've all agreed to it."

Stauffer said the Township Board, which approved the plan Tuesday, considers the change to be a health and safety benefit.

"Now there will only be trash hauler traffic in a neighborhood one day a week," he said.

Mondays were chosen for the lakeshore part of the township because many of those property owners are often only there on weekends, Stauffer said.

Meanwhile, Thursday is already pickup day for many residents in the second township zone, so they will not see a change, Stauffer aid.

The dividing line between the zones will be Glenlord Road on the north part of the township, Red Arrow Highway in the west part, and Stevensville-Baroda Road on the southern part. The zones include property on both sides of the dividing roads.

The village of Stevensville is not included in the plan.

"I think everyone will like it," said Township Clerk Stacy Loar-Porter. "Not having trucks on the roads every day, that's the biggest thing. We're just trying to protect our roads."

The trash haulers will contact their customers about any services changes. Meanwhile, the township has posted information on the plan and a map showing the two zones on its website.

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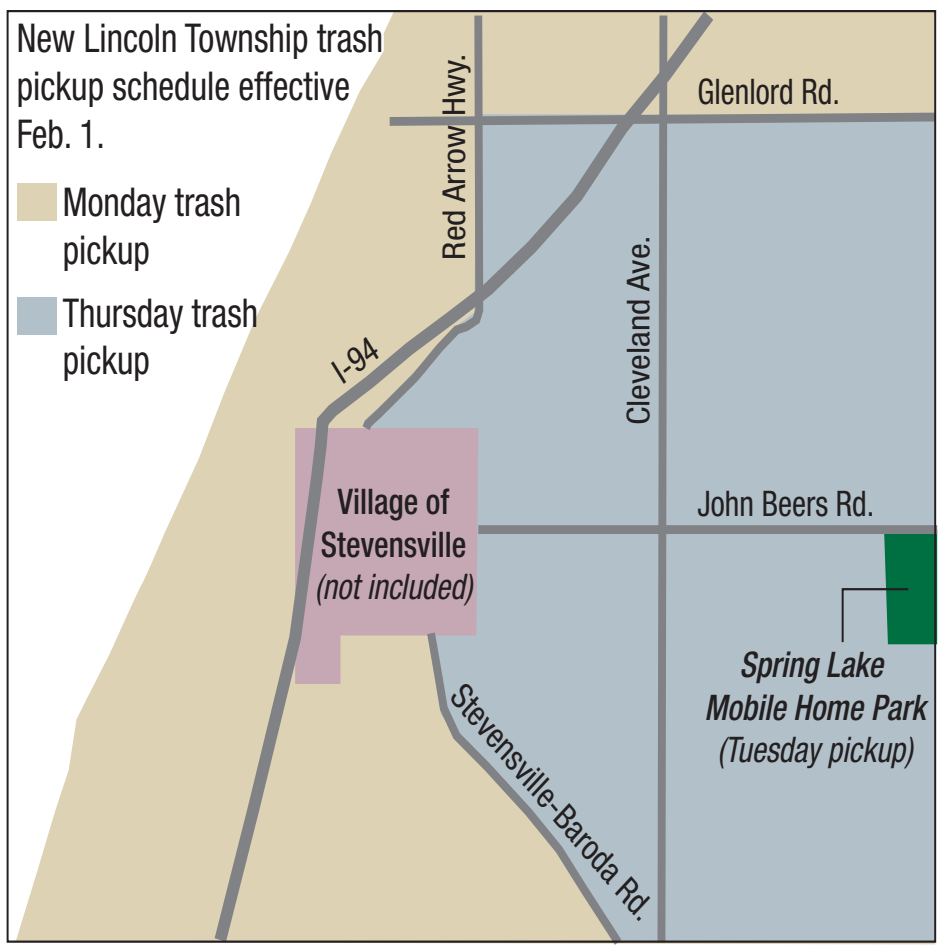

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Shoppers stroll by more than 800 luminaries lighting downtown St. Joseph during the annual Luminary Festival in 2011.

St. Joe aglow

Downtown preps for Friday's luminary festival

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — The glow of more than 1,000 candles will grace the streets of downtown St. Joseph on Friday to greet shoppers during the 19th Annual Luminary Festival.

Participating stores and restaurants will offer shoppers refreshments, special prices and gift ideas.

A free horse-drawn trolley, weather permitting, will be sponsored by the Frederick S. Upton Foundation.

The trolley will pick up riders from 4-7 p.m. at the corner of Elm and State streets.

"Our merchants get really excited about this event," said Jill Stone, executive director of St. Joseph Today. "It gives a really nice feel downtown. The city is aglow."

She said the street lights will be turned off during the event, which is expected to run from dusk until 9 p.m.

"So you're really truly walking along candle-lit streets," she said.

This is the first year St. Joseph Today is putting out reusable luminaries, she said.

In years past, she said the merchants provided their own luminaries, which meant some were in bags and some were in cut-off milk cartons.

"This will give the merchants more time to set up their stores," she said. "The luminaries will have more of a uniform look

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A long time at the legion

Bridgman man joined before World War II ended

By David Johnson
For The Herald-Palladium

BRIDGMAN — Jack Mabry has been part of the Bridgman American Legion Post 331 for a very long time.

Seventy years, to be exact.

Still an active member, the lifelong Bridgman resident attended a Nov. 9 breakfast in honor of the upcoming Veterans Day holiday.

"Whenever they need somebody I'll come," he said. "I'll help decorate or whatever ... whatever I can do to help."

And he often has company.

Jack's wife, Lorraine (Witt) Mabry, has been a post member for 62 years.

"I graduated from high school (in 1947), and we were married that very next week," she said.

Mabry, 87, served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, spending much of the time aboard the aircraft carrier USS Monterey.

"We took care of the airplanes," he said.

The Monterey was never seriously damaged by enemy aircraft or ships, but it did take a major hit in December 1943 from Typhoon Cobra. Winds topped 115 mph in the two-day storm. Gusts tore several planes loose from their cables, causing fires on the hangar deck, and future President Gerald Ford, who served on board the ship, was almost swept overboard.

"We lost all of our airplanes. We had to come back to the United States and have a new flight deck put on because it burned off," Mabry recalled.

During World War II the Monterey was involved in strikes against Wake Island, the southern Philippines, the Ryukyus, Nansei Shoto and Kyushu, the Battle of the Philippine Sea and the final strike against Honshu and Hokkaido.

Jack Mabry said he worked for 38 years at Whirlpool Corp.

"I've been retired for about 20 years," he said. "I was fire chief for 10, 12 years here."

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dition.

That practice is specifically barred under the law, which aims to make insurers more accountable to ratepayers, Axelrod said.

"The other side doesn't have a strategy, for this issue, or any other issue," Axelrod said. "The Republican Party would do much better if they stood for something, instead of against everything."

Axelrod predicted that, as awareness of the law's features grow, Republicans like U.S. Rep. Fred Upton (R-St. Joseph) will find it tougher to defend the status quo.

"What does he say to those people with pre-existing conditions? What do you say to families in that situation? What do you say to young people up to 26 who are on their parents' insurance because of this law?" he said.

Axelrod closed by urging his audience not to let up in their efforts to make big political dreams happen.

"We've got problems, we've got challenges – but go ahead, knock on doors, find people you can believe in. and work for them. Don't give up, because we have the power," he said.

Organizers estimated that about 250 people turned out for Axelrod's appearance, a fundraiser for the Berrien County Democratic Party.

However, Axelrod stressed that he saw the occasion as a homecoming, and less of a visit because he and his wife, Susan, own a home in Buchanan Township.

That home is the second one that the couple has owned in Berrien County since 1990, Axelrod said during a pre-speech press briefing.

"People are just neighborly – they support each other, they care about each other," Axelrod said.

"Aside from the beauty of the area, that sense of community is something that I've always valued. So, when I want to get my head together, this is the place I want to come."

Axelrod said the couple is actively involved with Berrien County political groups, such as Harbor Country Progress.

"I think we're going to be a stronger community with two vibrant parties, not just one."

"I really believe this is politics at it best. People who are not doing it (politics) as a job, and are going door-to-door because they want to improve their community, improve their country, improve the world. I'm moved by that," he said.

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and feel."

New this year will be a fire pit in front of the Welcome Center at the corner of Pleasant and State streets, she said.

The fire pit will be presented by All Seasons Fireplace, 3500 Niles Road.

"This will add to the whole look and feel of being a warming center," she said.

Book signings

Two authors will be on hand to sign their books.

St. Joseph resident Nicole Morrissey, who wrote "Prevention RD's Everyday Healthy Cooking," will sign her book 6-8 p.m. at Perennial Accents, 220 State St.

"It has 100 recipes and beautiful pictures to go with them," said Perennial Accents co-owner Vickie Campbell.

She said the store will start offering holiday refreshments at 5 p.m.

Forever Books, 312 State St., will have a book signing 6-9 p.m. by Susan Collins Thoms of her book, "The 12 Days of Christmas in Michigan," said store owner Robin Allen.

Downtown merchants will offer everything from special sales to holiday treats to unique gifting ideas during the event.

Christmas spirit

Moxie's Boutique, 321 State St., is hosting the Live Mannequin Night Preview in its front windows, owner Monica Bolin said.

Robert Montgomery, general manager of Players Bar & Grille, 221 Main St., said he's hustling to get ready for Friday.

"We're hoping to have all our Christmas decorations up in time for the festival, including tens of thousands of lights, giant ornaments hanging from the ceiling, four Christmas trees and even an electric train circling under one of the trees," he said.

Carousel rides

The Silver Beach Carousel will be dressed up in a nostalgia theme for Christmas. Christmas decorations and photos from days past will be displayed in the Flashback Forest of trees, said account executive Katie White.

There will also be a sneak peek of the new train display featuring the Polar Express.

The festival is sponsored by St. Joseph Today and Cook Nuclear Plant/Indiana Michigan Power.

For updates or more information, contact St. Joseph Today at 985-1111 or visit stjoetoday.com or facebook.com/stjoetoday.

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Gerry Rand Sturgeon

STEVENSVILLE — Gerry Rand Sturgeon of Stevensville passed away Nov. 15, 2013, following an illness she battled for many years. A visitation celebrating her life and a time of sharing will be 5-7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 18, 2013, at Starks and Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph. Memorials may be made to Hospice at Home, Lakeland HealthCare Affiliate of St. Joseph. Those wishing to sign Gerry's memory book online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

STURGEON

Gerry Rand Sturgeon was born June 1, 1947, in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. She grew up as an Army brat, traveled the world with her parents and eventually settled in Southwest Michigan. She was a stay-at-home mom for many years and then entered the work force and was employed by H&K Machine Co. in Three Oaks, Twin City Engraving in St. Joseph and then Walsworth Print Group (formerly IPC Print Services). Gerry was a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the Stevensville American Legion Auxiliary.

Gerry's hobbies included gardening, home improvement projects and reading. Gerry always felt her greatest happiness in life was watching her three wonderful children – Bret, Wade and Lindsay – grow into professional, accomplished individuals who made this world a better place.

She was preceded in death by her father, the late Col. Richard S. Rand U.S. Army ret.

She is survived by her mother, Alma Rand of Sault Ste. Marie; her three children: Bret Zimmerman and his wife, Corrine, of Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich.; Wade Zimmerman and his wife, Caroline, of Denver, Colo.; and Lindsay Zimmerman Hunsberger and her husband, Josh, of Niles; one granddaughter, Alexandria Zimmerman (daughter of Bret and Corrine Zimmerman); two stepgrandchildren, Allyson and Tristan Hunsberger (Lindsay and Josh Hunsberger); one grandchild due in February 2014 (child of Wade and Caroline Zimmerman); three siblings: Patricia Gardner and husband Richard; Claudia Prout and husband Gerald; and Rich Rand Jr.; her very special friends from her Okinawa graduating class of 1965: Kit McKeon, Pam Hull Wilson, Chuck Garwood and Lito Tolentino, who held a very special place in her heart; and the Cosmo Girls Dinner Club: Mary Jo Tomasini, Gay Harrison and Sherry MacDonald.

Alfred Strefling

STEVENSVILLE — Alfred Strefling, 96, of Stevensville, formerly of Watervliet crossed the threshold from this world of time to the eternal to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Friday, Nov. 15, 2013 at Woodland Terrace in Bridgman.

STREFLING

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5791 Sawyer Road, Sawyer, with the Rev. Randy D. Lett officiating. Burial will be in Watervliet City Cemetery. Friends may meet with the family 6-8 p.m. Monday at Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel, 9191 Red Arrow Highway, Bridgman. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be given to Hospice at Home, 4025 Health Park Lane, St. Joseph, MI 49085. Online condolences accepted at www.PikeFH.com.

In November 1948, he married Irene Pitcher. She was an outstanding helpmate for more than 53 years. On April 15, 2002, she was called home to her eternal rest. During their years together they traveled from the Pacific to the Atlantic and from Canada to Mexico. Also, they spent 25 winters in Florida.

Survivors include a daughter, Jeanette (Richard) King of St. Marys, Ga., two sisters: Edna Geik of Kalamazoo and Adeline Geik of Bridgman, and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Alfred was also preceded in death by two stepwdaughters, Geraldine Griffis and Joyce Danniffel; seven brothers: William, Otto, Henry, Julius, Albert, Clarence and Robert; and one sister, Margarette.

Phillip E. Wiles

BANGOR — Phillip E. Wiles, 83, of Bangor passed away Friday, Nov. 15, 2013, in the South Haven Hospital. Phil was born March 10, 1930, and was the son of Everett and Mildred "Gould" Wiles and has lived the majority of his life in the Bangor area.

He served with the United States Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He enjoyed golf, and was a sports enthusiast. He coached summer softball and baseball, volunteered many hours with Bangor Athletics, was a Bangor school board member, City Council member and served on other boards. Phil was a member of the Simpson United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Marilee whom he married April 10, 1954; five children: Kelly (Tony) D'Alessio of Tuscola, Texas; Kevin Wiles of Bangor; Keith Wiles of Niles; Kristy Badner of Dowagiac; Karla (Steve) Vassar of Hartford; six grandchildren: Preston Burr, Justin (Nina) Vassar, Kyle Burr, Joshua Vassar, Joseph Badner, Brianna Kennedy and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his four brothers; Raymond Kelley, Richard Kelley, Pat Kelley, and Roy Wiles.

The family will meet friends 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the Simpson United Methodist Church, where the memorial service will begin at 1 p.m. with Pastor Thom Davenport officiating. The family suggests memorials be made to the Simpson United Methodist Church Building Fund.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Bangor Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home. www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com.

Mary Alyce Hettig

COLOMA — Mary Alyce Wooley Hettig passed away Friday, Nov. 15, 2013, at Lakeland Regional Medical Center in St. Joseph. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2013, at Coloma United Methodist Church.

HETTIG

Mrs. Hettig was born June 2, 1931, in Coloma and lived her entire life in the Coloma area. She graduated from Coloma High School in 1949. After graduating from Western Michigan University, she came back to teach in the Coloma Community Schools for 36 years. She also taught in the Benton Harbor Area Schools for two years.

Mary Alyce married Garold (Jerry) Hettig in 1953 and farmed with him until his death in 1984. She enjoyed her family, sporting events of all kinds, reading and visiting places of historical interest.

She especially enjoyed her grandchildren, nieces and nephews, family gatherings and getting together with fellow retired teachers, former students and her classmates. She met with her former classmates – CHS class of '49 – each month for many years.

Mary Alyce was a lifelong member of Coloma United Methodist Church. She was also a member of the Michigan Association of Retired Teachers and Michigan Farm Bureau, and was a charter member and longtime board member of the North Berrien Historical Society. She was the last surviving member of the group that founded the North Berrien Historical Society in 1966.

She enjoyed volunteering at the North Berrien Senior Center, as well as talking to many students about the early history of the Coloma area at the North Berrien Historical Museum.

Survivors include her daughter, Rebecca (David) Freehling of Hartford; son, Marc (Denise) Hettig of Coloma; sisters-in-law: Jeri Wooley of Bridgman and Frances Wooley of Coloma; grandchildren: Caleb and Lucas Hettig, and April and Olivia Freehling; brother-in-law, Darwin (Gail Burright) Hettig; sister-in-law, Joyce (Ervin) Markwald of Hot Springs, Ark.; nieces and nephews: Cheryl Geik; Rick, Rob, Randy, Bob, Jim, Nancy and Wes Wooley; Tim and Tabitha Markwald; and Tom, Marge and Jennifer Hettig. She was preceded in death by her parents, Howard and Dorothy Wooley; her husband, Garold Hettig; and brothers, Richard and George Wooley.

Memorials may be made to the North Berrien Historical Museum, P.O. Box 207, Coloma, MI 49038, or Coloma United Methodist Church, 144 S. Church St., P.O. Box 670, Coloma, MI 49038. Those wishing to leave a message or share a memory with the family online may do so at www.duffieldpastrick.com.

Grace Birdine Nupp

A celebration of life for Grace Birdine Nupp will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 22, 2013, at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 2001 Niles Ave., St. Joseph. Birdine passed away from heart failure Nov. 3, 2013, after an 82-year life that impacted and influenced countless people with her loving, caring nature.

NUPP

She was born in Robertsville, Ohio, to a farming family. Birdine married Donald Nupp on Jan. 20, 1951, and they were devoted to each other for 63 years. They were blessed with three children: the Rev. Denise (Dr. Steven Andersen) Andersen of Portland, Ore.; Cecily Gnodtke, who preceded her in death; and Lisa Nupp of Melbourne, Fla. Birdine is survived by her beloved spouse; two daughters; four grandchildren: Trevania Gnodtke of St. Joseph; Joshua Dymond of Lansing; Caitlin Andersen of The Dalles, Ore.; and Ryan Andersen of Santa Barbara, Calif.; and many beloved extended family members.

Birdine was an alumna of Canton Actual Business College. She was a talented vocalist who as a child sang with her sister in a duo from the time she was a preschooler – always singing the harmony. Birdine sang with the choir at First Congregational UCC for nearly 30 years. She was very involved with her church and was active in Mary Martha Circle, Young at Hearts and Book & Banter. She was also an active member of the Monday Musical Club.

Remembrances may be made to First Congregational UCC of St. Joseph's Memorial Fund or the Monday Musical Club of Southwestern Michigan.

Death notices

Cinda Haley, 58, of Dowagiac died Nov. 15, 2013, in her home. Clark Chapel and Cremation Services, Dowagiac, 782-2135.

John "Rick" Richard Keith, 57, of Edwardsburg died Nov. 16, 2013. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Niles, 683-1155.

Kelly M. Lange, 32, of Coloma died Nov. 16, 2013, at Glen Home in Benton Harbor. Starks & Menchinger Chapel & Cremation Services 556-9450.

Alfred Strefling, 96, of Stevensville, formerly of Watervliet died Nov. 15, 2013, at Woodland Terrace in Bridgman. Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel, Bridgman, 465-3239 (866-269-3866).

Phillip E. Wiles, 83, of Bangor died Nov. 15, 2013, in the South Haven Community Hospital. Bangor Chapel, D.L. Miller Funeral Home, 427-7551 (888-281-0675).

150 years later, Pennsylvania paper prints a Gettysburg redress

By TINA SUSMAN
Los Angeles Times (MCT)

NEW YORK — Four score and 70 years ago, a Pennsylvania newspaper chided Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address as "silly remarks."

This week, in time for the speech's 150th anniversary, Harrisburg's Patriot-News apologized for "a judgment so flawed, so tainted by hubris, so lacking in the perspective history would bring, that it cannot remain unaddressed in our archives."

With that, the newspaper's editorial board issued an unusual media mea culpa that has captured national attention despite its tongue-in-cheek approach.

It read in part: "Our predecessors, perhaps under the influence of partisanship, or of strong drink, as was common in the profession at the time, called President Lincoln's words 'silly remarks,' deserving' a veil of oblivion,' apparently believing it an indifferent and altogether ordinary message, unremarkable in eloquence and uninspiring in its brevity."

"Just think – the speech, the exact words of it, are still looked at, thought about and dissected," said Michele Hamill, a conservator at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y., where one of five copies of Lincoln's handwritten speech is on display through Nov. 23 in commemoration of its delivery Nov. 19, 1863.

"He was a very thoughtful writer, and it shows," Hamill said, referring both to the penmanship and the substance of the speech, which was short – about two minutes – but memorable.

So too was the dissing it received in some media, a scoff that haunted the Harrisburg editors until their editorial, which ran Thursday with a column explaining the decision to declare: "The Patriot-News regrets the error."

Donald Gilliland, the reporter who wrote the explanatory article, noted that the dismissive comments about Lincoln's address did not appear until five days after he had delivered them. Days earlier, the paper – then called the Patriot & Union – had devoted extensive coverage to the president's visit to the Pennsylvania city, including printing the full text of his speech without editorial comment, Gilliland noted.

Gilliland also said the critical editorial was not aimed only at Lincoln's words, but also at what editors considered the political theater of the Gettysburg event, which was held to dedicate a cemetery to Union soldiers killed during the battle there four months earlier.

Whatever the context, Gilliland wrote that the words that appeared on Nov. 24, 1863, earned the newspaper "an enduring place in history for having got Lincoln's Gettysburg Address utterly, jaw-droppingly wrong."

This isn't the first time a newspaper has apologized many years after the fact. In 2004, the Lexington Herald-Leader in Kentucky apologized for its failures in covering the civil rights movement in the 1960s. The Meridian Star in Mississippi issued an apology to coincide with President Barack Obama's 2009 inauguration, saying in an editorial that it, and many papers across the South, had "acted with gross neglect" in not covering pivotal civil rights events.

"We did it through omission, by not recording for our readers many of the most important civil rights activities that happened in our midst, including protests and sit-ins. That was wrong," the Meridian Star said.

The Patriot-News apology lacks the somber tone of those apologies, but it is no less significant, said Todd Gitlin, a professor of sociology and journalism at Columbia University.

"An apology is sort of a port of entry to a recognition of what's at stake and what our values are," Gitlin said.

He said Lincoln's message – that the nation was in a fight for democracy – is as true today as it was then, citing the current battles over issues such as voter ID laws, which civil rights activists say are designed to limit minority voting.

"The reason why I think it makes sense ... to take note of the retrograde position the paper held is because this principle is still being fought over," Gitlin said.

Five copies of the speech exist: two in the Library of Congress, one in the White House, one at the Illinois State Historical Library and one at Cornell. All are written in Lincoln's neat penmanship, but they contain slight differences.

The copy at Cornell, for example, reads "on this continent" instead of "upon this continent" in the famous first line.

That sets it apart from the two in the Library of Congress, which were written before Lincoln delivered the address, a time lag that probably explains the different wording.

Lincoln wrote the Cornell copy a few days after the speech at the request of George Bancroft, a historian who wanted to make reproductions of the document to raise money for wounded soldiers.

Hamill said Lincoln used high-quality linen-based paper and iron gall ink derived from gall nuts.

He sent it to Bancroft, but the effort fell flat. That's because Lincoln had written on both sides of a piece of paper, and technology did not allow the reproduction of double-sided documents. Bancroft asked for another copy.

"Imagine, this is a time of war and you're asking Lincoln again to do this thing," Hamill said.

The president sent Bancroft a fresh copy, using two pieces of paper. Bancroft was left with what at the time seemed to be a "piece of useless paper," Hamill said, but he held onto it and willed it to his grandson, a chemistry professor at Cornell.

During the Depression, the document was sold to a New York City dealer, but it eventually ended up back in Cornell's hands, where it is guarded by a university police officer while it is on display.

Hamill marveled at the idea that a president with a war to run had taken the time to write out his speech five times. And in perfect penmanship.

The Patriot-Union said that with the anniversary of the speech, "the time was ripe" to clear the air.

"Really, this isn't a question of journalism ethics, as would be the case with a serious retraction," the paper's deputy opinion editor, Matthew Zencey, wrote to iMediaEthics.org, which monitors media errors, apologies and retractions.

"It was more a way of using the 150th anniversary to say, with a wink, 'Gee, can you believe what rock heads ran this outfit 150 years ago?'"

Getting it straight

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hp BUSINESS

Business meetings & classes

'Cottage to Commercial' offered Tuesday

NILES — "Cottage to Commercial" will be offered from 3-5 p.m. Tuesday at the Niles Entrepreneur & Culinary Incubator, 219 N. Fourth St., Niles.

This session will deal with basic food processing, regulatory requirements, business development resources and related topics. Michigan State University Extension educators Joanne Davidhizar and Mark Thomas will teach the session. The program is sponsored by Niles Main Street and Lake Michigan College.

Cost of the workshop is $25. To reserve a spot, call 687-4332 or email neci@uncoverniles.com by Monday.

Financing Growth Seminar expanded

STEVENSVILLE — Options to secure financing from $500 to millions for specific business opportunities have been added to SCORE's Financing Growth Seminar being held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday at the Lincoln Township Library, 2099 W. John Beers Road, Stevensville.

The seminar will outline basic conventional banking approaches to source funds and will also cover new unconventional avenues such as crowd funding, angel investors and peer to peer lending. Attendees also will have an opportunity to meet with representatives of various financing organizations to determine the best avenue to develop capital for their specific projects.

Seminar leaders are Bob Gottlieb, retired CFO of Wolverine Mutual Insurance Co.; Bob Elliott, retired engineering executive/business manager at Ford Motor, Motorola and Whirlpool Corp.; Joe Trupiano, career accountant and consultant on accounting software products; and Margaret Adams, manager of the Women's Business Center at Cornerstone Alliance, which provides access, counsel and technical assistance to small business owners/entrepreneurs.

Fee for the two-hour seminar is $40 per person and includes all materials and references.

To register, go to www.kalamazoo.score.org.

Notices of business and farm meetings and classes should be emailed to business@TheHP.com, faxed to 429-4398 or mailed to The Herald-Palladium, P.O. Box 128, St. Joseph MI 49085.

Honor Credit Union to build new operations center

By HP STAFF

Rendering of Honor Credit Union's wnew operations center to be built in Oronoko Township.

ST. JOSEPH — Behind the scenes at every Honor Credit Union branch are employees who support the operation in back offices.

In 2015, the 75-80 operational support team members will come together to work at a new central operations center Honor Credit Union plans to build near Berrien Springs. The center will allow room for potential growth.

The venture was informally announced last week at a meeting of the Oronoko Township Board. CEO Scott McFarland said the center, pending site plan approvals, will be built on land along Edgewood Drive overlooking U.S. 31 just north of Berrien Springs. He said Honor hopes to begin construction sometime next year and occupy the building by the spring of 2015.

"A combined operations center is a great step toward continuously improving efficiencies and value to our member/owners," McFarland said in a formal announcement. "Uniting all of our operational support team members in one facility that is centrally located in the county with easy expressway access is important for the organization."

The operations center will encompass about 30,000 square feet on a little more than six acres. The site is near the U.S. 31/M-139 interchange, providing easy access to the highway. McFarland said the new space will allow Honor Credit Union to better support its network of branches and new technology, and provide increased efficiency to the communities and members it serves.

Honor is working with EC Moore of Berrien County and Collective Office, an architecture firm based in Chicago, for the design/build work on the project.

The existing St. Joseph retail branch will remain in place and will receive updates of its own once the operations center is complete.

Honor Credit Union is a $470 million member-owned financial institution. Honor currently has more than 41,000 members in 14 Michigan counties.

"The credit union has been proud to call Berrien County home for 79 years and takes pride in ... serving many communities in Michigan," McFarland said.

JohnsonRauhoff wins international award

By HP STAFF

ST. JOSEPH — From a field of more than 6,500 applicants from around the world, JohnsonRauhoff (JR) has been awarded a 2013 Gold MarCom Award for the firm's Rubbermaid Commercial Products (RCP) Executive Series Campaign.

The Executive Series Campaign was a year-long effort by JR to support the global new product launch for RCP. Created to promote an innovative new line of professional cleaning tools, this campaign included print advertising, trade brochures, distributor sell sheets, channel eblasts, product photography, and video, the communications firm said in a news release about the award.

"I couldn't be more proud," JR President Jackie Huie said. "This effort was a massive undertaking that involved the whole company from marketing to digital to photography. In fact, for one of the many photo shoots our crew traveled to California to shoot product inside a five-star hotel. This team went all out, and the finished campaign reflects their passion for creative excellence."

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> **JACKIE HUIE**
> JR president

MarCom Awards is an international creative competition that recognizes outstanding achievement by marketing and communication professionals. Judges for the competition are industry professionals who look for companies and individuals whose talents exceed a high standard of excellence and whose work serves as a benchmark for the industry. Entries come from corporate marketing and communication departments, ad agencies, public relations firms, design shops and free-lancers. The competition has grown to one of the largest of its kind in the world, Huie said.

For more information, go online to www.marcomawards.com.

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AEP is among top

By HP STAFF

COLUMBUS, Ohio — American Electric Power Co. has been recognized by G.I. Jobs Magazine as one of the nation's top 100 "military friendly" employers.

The companies were selected from among more than 5,000 employers each having annual revenues of at least $500 million, AEP said.

AEP is the parent company of Indiana Michigan Power, which serves Southwest Michigan.

"AEP is dedicated to recruiting, hiring and supporting military veterans, who have the technical skills we need as well as the personal characteristics we value such as leadership, teamwork and

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Business People

Cornerstone Alliance hires Susan Cox as PR lead

BENTON HARBOR — **Cornerstone Alliance** has hired **Susan Cox** as director of Brand XCelleration.

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She will manage and direct all components of the economic development organization's marketing and public relations initiatives. Cox will head up marketing efforts focusing on job growth and retention opportunities and promote the Cornerstone Alliance brand to targeted audiences.

She will start in her new position Nov. 15.

"We are delighted to have Susan join our team," Victoria Pratt, president of Cornerstone Alliance, said in a news release announcing Cox's hiring. "Susan brings a strong background in both sales and marketing, essential elements in our efforts to improve the economic performance of Michigan's Great Southwest. Her knowledge and skills will be put to good use as we focus on impactful connections with our targeted audiences. We are focused on results, and Susan has the skills to help us achieve positive outcomes."

Greg Vaughn, vice president for business development, said "Susan's sales and marketing background are the right fit for the work of our Business Development team. We are in the business of selling our community to attract, retain and grow businesses.

"Susan has considerable private sector experience and a solid marketing pedigree.

"Brand XCelleration and Business Development will be joined at the hip going forward."

Cox said she is looking forward to her new position.

"Being among the talented individuals at Cornerstone Alliance is exciting," she said.

"Increasing job growth and the capacity of our organization is so important for continued success. I am excited to lead the marketing and public relations initiatives to make this happen."

Cox earned her undergraduate degree in communications from Valparaiso University.

She said she has 20 years' experience in sales and marketing, with documented success in lead generation campaigns, converting prospects into customers, and has significant marketing experience in the corporate and nonprofit sectors.

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Whirlpool appliances listed among best

By HP STAFF

BENTON HARBOR — Whirlpool Corp. appliances are among the select few recognized this year on Review.com's Best of the Year list, the company said.

Whirlpools appliances received top honors in a number of categories. Its 6th Sense Live technology smart appliances were named Best Smart Home Platform.

Whirlpool this year brought four of the smart appliances to the marketplace, each with the ability to be controlled with a smartphone application.

The White Ice collection received Best Design in Mid-Range Appliances. The collection aims to break the stainless steel tradition and bring a sleek look to home appliances with elegant lines, sleek handles and streamlined controls, the company said.

The Whirlpool Gold Series dishwasher with sensor cycle was named Best Value Dishwasher. The company's Cabrio Platinum HE Top Load Washer was chosen as Best Mid-Range Top-Load Washer.

Whirlpool said the honors acknowledge its commitment to innovation and manufacturing appliances with "purposeful technology" that resonates with consumer needs and desires.

Myths and misconceptions about Medicare Plan D

During a recent workshop with seniors at my church, a debate broke out concerning Medicare Part D.

That's the program that helps pay for prescription drugs. Medicare offers the coverage to all enrollees, and if you elect to get the coverage, you pay a monthly premium.

If you do not sign up for Part D when you're first eligible for Medicare Part A and/or Part B, and you didn't have prescription drug coverage that met Medicare's minimum standard, you may have to pay a late enrollment penalty if you eventually decide to join the plan.

Some of the seniors, concerned about facing that penalty, said they had enrolled in Part D even though they already had drug coverage as part of another plan, some with their former employers.

I'm not going to pay a penalty, one woman argued, with several others agreeing with her.

But another senior tried to tell her that she wouldnít face a penalty if she later needed Part D. He was right: You don't incur a late penalty if you opt out of buying Plan D because you already have creditable prescription coverage, or if you participate in the government program called Extra Help. This is a Medicare program that assists people with limited incomes and financial resources to pay for their prescriptions.

The key word here is 'creditable,' which means that your plan's coverage is expected to pay on average as much as the standard Medicare prescription drug coverage. If you have drug coverage from an employer, union or other group health plan, you should get a notice every year letting you know whether or not your drug coverage is creditable.

Michelle Singletary

"Keep that letter in a safe spot," said Nicole Duritz, AARPís vice president for health, education and outreach. "It can be difficult to get a copy of the letter if the business that was covering you closes down."

The bottom line is if you have creditable prescription coverage, you don't need to double up on coverage by signing up for a Plan D out of fear you'll get hit with a penalty, Duritz said.

The late enrollment penalty is calculated by multiplying 1 percent of whatís called the "national base beneficiary premium," which for 2014 is $32.42. The premium amount is then multiplied by the number of full, uncovered months you were eligible but didn't have Plan D or went without other creditable coverage. The final amount is rounded to the nearest 10 cents and added to your monthly premium.

Medicare.gov gives an example of how the penalty is imposed. Letís say you didnít join a prescription drug plan when you became eligible by June 2011. You didn't have any other creditable prescription coverage. You decide to join a plan this year during the open enrollment, which runs until Dec. 7. Your coverage would then begin on Jan. 1.

Your penalty in 2014 is 30 percent (1 percent for each of the 30 months between July 2011 and December 2013) of $32.42 (the national base beneficiary premium for 2014), which is $9.73. The penalty is rounded to $9.70, which youíll pay along with your premium each month. The late enrollment penalty is added to your monthly Part D premium for as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage.

You may decide not sign up because you arenít taking medication. Although you save now, weigh that against a future penalty and whether you can afford it.

Let's say you lose your creditable prescription coverage and want to enroll in Plan D. Don't panic, but you do have to act fast. You have a small window to sign up. Be sure you don't have a break in creditable coverage for 63 days or more.

That's because when you join a Medicare drug plan, the plan will review Medicareís systems to see you had a break in creditable coverage. If there is a break, the plan will send you a notice asking for proof of prior prescription drug coverage. This is an important form and should be returned by the deadline date because itís your opportunity to let the plan know about prior coverage that might not be in Medicareís systems.

If you have concerns about Part D, go online to www.Medicare.gov or call (800) 633-4227. You can also talk to a counselor in your state who can help you get the answers you need through the State Health Insurance Counseling Assistance Program (SHIP). Call (800)†633-4227 to find the number of the SHIP in your state.

Ask the Fool

Investing While Young

Q It's not too risky for me to invest in stocks when I'm a teenager, right? — *T.L., Walnut Creek, Calif.*

A Young people investing for the long run are in the best position. Imagine being 15 and investing $1,000, earning the historical average annual market return of around 10 percent. In 30 years, when you're only 45, it will top $17,000. Sock it away until retirement at 65 and it will approach $120,000. Add to it over the years and you're looking at early retirement!

People in or near retirement have far less time in which their money can grow. And they should be more conservative in their investments, too, because they may be relying on them for critical income. Older folks don't always have the luxury of being able to wait out market downturns.

If you're a teen or a young adult, though, and the stock market swoons, you can just be patient. In fact, that's a great time to snap up more shares, when prices are depressed.

If you'll need any of your money in a few years for college or anything else, stocks aren't a good idea, as the market could drop in the short term, like it did in 2008. Short-term money (money needed within five or even 10 years) should be in "safer" places, such as money market funds or CDs.

Learn more in "The Motley Fool Investment Guide for Teens" by David and Tom Gardner with Selena Maranjian (Touchstone, $16).

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Q How can I sell my stock certificates? — *S.A., Fayetteville, N.C.*

A Hand-deliver or mail them (signed) to your brokerage, which can then sell them for you. If you don't have a brokerage, you can open an account with one.

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Do You Need a Trust?

Don't dismiss the idea of a trust fund, thinking it's just for the very rich. Trusts can serve a wide range of people. First used in medieval England, trusts are now used for many purposes, such as dividing ownership of property. The trustee is the legal owner and may control and take responsibility for the property, while the beneficiary holds the sole right to enjoy the property.

Trusts can be preferable to wills for ensuring the orderly transfer of property:

• Trusts can take effect immediately, handling circumstances that wills cannot. For instance, if you're seriously injured, a trustee may take over your finances until you're able to assume responsibility again.

• Assets that pass through trusts are generally not subject to probate proceedings. Thus, they can help you avoid unnecessary delay, expense and publicity.

• Trusts can usually be changed without the formalities required for altering a will.

• A trust may help you postpone or avoid taxes.

But trusts have drawbacks, too:

• Trusts are often more complicated to draft than a will. A poorly drafted trust can be nearly impossible to execute.

• Many professionals charge much more to draft a trust than a will. (It can still be worth it, though.)

• Appointing a guardian is typically done in a will, not a trust.

There are revocable and irrevocable trusts, and living and testamentary trusts (linked with wills).

Unfortunately, it's not always easy to determine when a trust is your smartest option. Study the matter closely before making a decision, and consult a professional or two if you're not comfortable deciding on your own. Remember that having a solid estate plan is essential to achieving your ultimate goals and to saving your heirs time and money. Don't put off thinking about your last financial arrangements.

Learn more at **estateplanninglinks.com**, **fool.com/retirement** and **fool.com/taxes**.

My Dumbest Investment

Going It Alone Now

My dumbest investment has been using traditional brokers and money managers. I go it alone now and have beaten the S&P 500 for two years in a row — and I don't do puts, calls, margins, ETFs, commodities or Big Oil. — *J.B., Reston, Va.*

The Fool Responds: Brokers and money managers will not always serve you well. Some suffer from conflicts of interest, such as when they're rewarded for having you invest often or in certain securities. Money managers sometimes focus on delivering great short-term results instead of aiming for maximum long-term growth.

You're right that you can do very well without using any complicated or risky strategies, such as put and call options (which often expire worthless), or margin (where you invest with borrowed money) or commodities (which can be highly leveraged and can cost you much of your money if they go the wrong way).

Exchange-traded funds (ETFs), though, can be effective — especially ones with low fees, based on broad market indexes. Investing in oil companies has paid off for many, but those opposed to the industry can certainly do well without it.

Do you have an embarrassing lesson learned the hard way? Boil it down to 100 words (or less) and send it to The Motley Fool c/o My Dumbest Investment. Got one that worked? Submit to My Smartest Investment. If we print yours, you'll win a Fool's cap!

The Motley Fool Take

An IBM Opportunity?

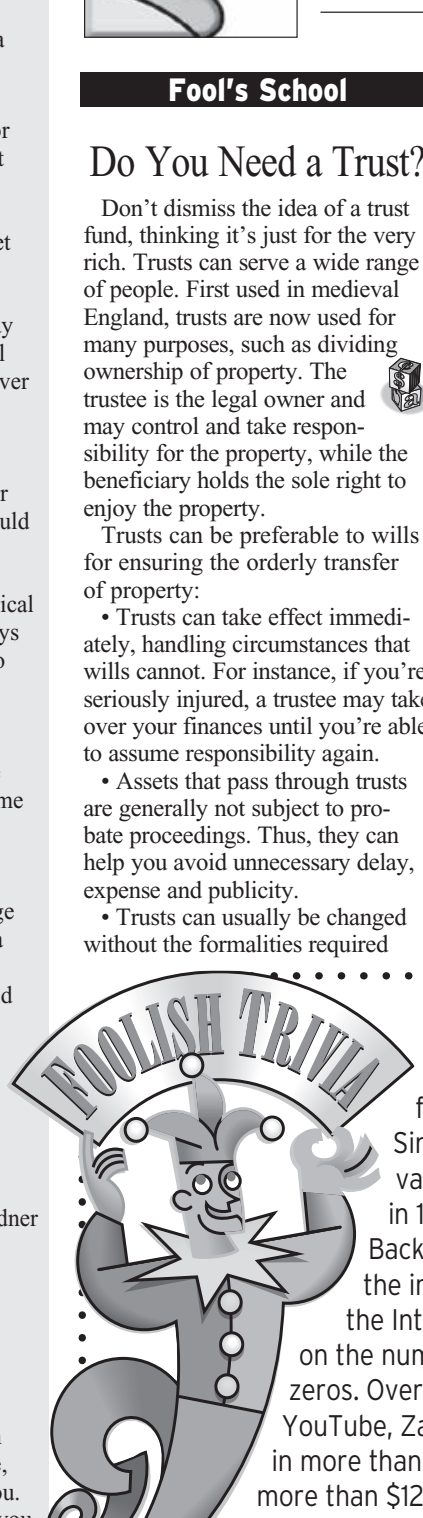
IBM (NYSE: IBM) recently reported its third-quarter earnings, which featured cloud-computing revenue up 70 percent and its Smarter Planet infrastructure project seeing a 20 percent increase. That may seem great, but these promising divisions are still small.

The company's core divisions, from software to services to hardware, all posted drops. Server systems sales, for example, plunged 17 percent. Overall, revenue slipped 4 percent, to a still-massive $23.7 billion, with income sliding 6 percent. Its services order backlog rose 2 percent to $141 billion.

What's going on? Well, as it always does, the technology ground is shifting. Under new management (CEO Ginni Rometty), IBM is changing its business model and adapting. It's investing in Big Data companies and technology, for example, which seems smart when you consider that the amount of data we store every year is growing by a mind-boggling 60 percent annually.

Weakness in global economies and even at home, where many companies are holding off on IT spending, has hampered IBM, but that's not a permanent problem. For patient believers, IBM stock recently offered a 2.1 percent dividend yield, and the company has been buying back stock aggressively.

Competition has been heating up, but IBM is making long-term investments, and with a recent price-to-earnings ratio near 12, its shares look appealing.



Name That Company

I was founded in 1998 in California and went public in 2004. Since then, my stock has grown in value more than tenfold. I began in 1996 as an online tool called BackRub that used links to determine the importance of individual pages on the Internet. My current name is a play on the number that's a 1 followed by 100 zeros. Over the years, I've acquired Picasa, YouTube, Zagat and Motorola Mobility. I rake in more than $57 billion annually, keeping more than $12 billion as income. My mission is to organize the world's information. Who am I?

Know the answer? Send it to us with Foolish Trivia on the top and you'll be entered into a drawing for a nifty prize!

LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I was founded in 1951 in New York by a mushroom grower who had bought a depleted iron ore mine. Today, based in Boston and with a market value near $5 billion, I'm a storage specialist, helping more than 156,000 organizations in 32 countries store, protect and manage their information. More than 94 percent of the Fortune 1000 companies use my services. I store some of the world's most valuable historical artifacts, cultural treasures, business documents and medical records. I offer secure shredding and data backup and recovery services, too. I rake in about $3 billion annually. Who am I? (Answer: Iron Mountain)

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Take care of employees, and they'll take care of you

You wouldn't expect a vegetable garden to thrive without proper care, or your car to work reliably without oil and proper maintenance. So why assume that you'll get the best out of employees simply by providing a paycheck?

Employees are like any other investment you make in your small business. You break even when you pay a fair day's wage for a fair day's work. But when employees are encouraged and inspired to give more than 100 percent every day, you'll receive a far greater return on those wages. Best of all, many tactics for motivating employees are easy to implement.

Here are some starting points for creating and sustaining a motivated, dynamic work environment:

▶ Communicate with them. Meet with your employees regularly to review upcoming priorities, recent successes and issues, and other related topics. Ask for their opinions and ideas, and encourage discussions that can be continued informally, via group emails, or at the next meeting. Make sure each opinion is valued, and seek to correct misinformation and false assumptions.

▶ Get to know them. Complement formal meetings with informal chats about non-business issues. Don't pry, but strive to learn about their personal lives. Celebrating birthdays is a small business staple, but also look for other milestones to recognize such as a child's wedding or acceptance to college. Also be ready to offer sympathy to employees facing difficulties such as a family illness or death.

▶ Empower them. Look for smaller tasks and projects that can be delegated to one or more employees. This will help build their skills, and give you extra time to focus on your business's "big picture" issues. They may also find ways to do these kinds of tasks more efficiently, saving time and money in the process.

▶ Respect them. Would you want to be criticized for a mistake in front of your co-workers? Nobody does. What's more, criticism may do nothing to solve the problem. Instead, take the employee aside and try to find out why the mistake occurred. It may be a misunderstanding in the process, or the employee was distracted by a personal issue. Work together to find a solution, and then monitor subsequent performance. If the mistakes keep occurring, more serious action may be needed.

▶ Challenge them. Get employees thinking or giving extra effort by offering appropriate rewards. It doesn't have to be cash; the lure of an extra day off is all many people need to achieve certain goals or "go above and beyond." Also celebrate company milestones with a party, company outing, or other event.

For help motivating your employees contact SCORE. You can get expert, objective advice and ideas from expert mentors in-person or online – it's all free and confidential.

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Solid company ttocks make a solid investment

Dear Bruce: I'm 68 years old, and I was let go by the company I worked for several months ago. I still have a 401(k) with $164,000 in it. I don't need the money and don't plan to use it in the near future. We don't have a mortgage or car payments.

Bruce Williams

I would like your opinion on how to reinvest the 401(k). My financial guy recommends an annuity. I know from reading your columns you're not big on them. Your thoughts or recommendations, please. – Rich, via email

Dear Rich: Thank you for your question. It's an interesting one. I don't think it's particularly complex.

First, you say your financial guy recommends an annuity. There are some decent annuity products out there. But I would not be comfortable tying up my money in most annuities, which have a period, measured in years, during which the penalties are severe if you take the money out.

Can you leave the money where it is? How is it doing? If it's doing well, why not leave it in the 401(k)? If you must withdraw, that's another program.

You apparently have a decent amount of investment savvy in order to accomplish all that you have outlined. That being observed, at 68 years old, i wouldn't want all the money in the marketplace, but I would certainly want a substantial portion invested in good, solid american companies.

The Johnson & Johnsons or Wal-Marts of the world are companies that have been around for a while and will continue to be around. Sure, you will go through hiccups when the value goes down, but you will also experience substantial increases. These companies also pay decent dividends. I would have no problem investing a good portion of the $164,000 in companies with similar track records.

If you want absolute security, you can have it, but at a terrific cost. Unless you are prepared to take a certain degree of risk, in today's world, you will be condemned to receiving very little return.

Money&Markets Extra

Who has the time to choose a mutual fund?

OfMutualInterest

STAN CHOE
AP Business Writer

It may seem primitive to some, but not so long ago most investors figured out for themselves how much of their 401(k) retirement plan to put into stocks or bonds. Now, more are letting a target-date mutual fund take care of that, particularly younger workers.

One of every three savers with a 401(k) plan administered by Fidelity Investments has their entire account invested in just one target-date mutual fund, according to survey results released Thursday.

The reliance on target-date funds is even more pronounced among the youngest workers. Some 72 percent of those aged 20 to 24 have their complete 401(k) account balance invested in a single target-date fund. For workers aged 30 to 34, it's nearly half: 45 percent.

Target-date funds are intended to be all that a saver will need for their nest egg through retirement, by taking care of the strategic investment decisions. Investors pick a fund set for the year that they hope to retire. When that date is far off, the fund own mostly stocks, hoping to reap the strong long-term returns that stocks can provide. As the hoped-for retirement year gets closer, target-date funds rely more on bonds, which carry less risk of a sharp drop in price.

Fidelity is the nation's largest 401(k) administrator with 12.6 million accounts, and its survey results include data through Sept. 30. Others have seen similar trends. Vanguard found that 31 percent of all contributions made to the 401(k) and other defined-contribution plans that it administers went to target-date funds in 2012, up from 8 percent five years earlier. It also saw younger workers more reliant on target-date funds than older ones.

The sharp disparity may not be the result of a conscious choice. Nearly one of every four 401(k) plans that Fidelity administers enrolls workers automatically, up from one in eight five years ago. When that happens, the default investment choice for contributions is usually a target-date fund.

They don't rely as heavily on target-date funds as their younger peers, but the number of older workers relying on them is growing. Twenty seven percent of all Fidelity 401(k) participants aged 45 to 49 have their entire balance in a target-date fund. That's up from 24 percent a year ago and from just 2 percent a decade ago.

Some 401(k) plan administrators are pushing employers to get more of their workers who are closer to retirement into target-date funds. Such funds let workers focus on what they can control – how much to save and when – and hand over the responsibilities of managing those investments, says Chip Castille. He is head of BlackRock's defined-contribution group for the U.S. and Canada, and helped develop the first target-date fund 20 years ago.

Some employers have essentially re-enrolled all the participants in their plan, putting savers – young and old – into target-date funds by default. But that has usually happened only around a corporate merger, acquisition or some other type of big event, Castille says.

Other highlights from Fidelity's survey of 401(k) plan participants include:

— 401(k) ACCOUNTS HAVE NEVER BEEN BIGGER. Participants had an average balance of $84,300 at the end of September, a record high. That's up 11 percent from $75,900 a year earlier. Nearly three quarters of that growth came from surging prices for stock mutual funds: The Standard & Poor's 500 index returned 19 percent in the 12 months through Sept. 30, including dividends. The rest came from the contributions that workers and their employers made.

— WORKERS ARE SAVING MORE. Fidelity says 401(k) participants are putting away an average $6,000 annually. Contributions have never been that high. Employer contributions are adding an average $3,240 annually.

Total 401(k) contributions have risen 1.9 percent from a year earlier, slightly better than the rate of inflation.

Workers should be saving 10 percent to 15 percent of their annual income, including their employers' contributions, Fidelity suggests.

— COMPARE YOUR BALANCE BASED ON AGE. Younger workers age 25 to 29 have an average of $12,200. Workers in their later 30s have an average $48,900 in their 401(k) accounts, and people between 45 and 49 have an average of $94,900. Late 50-somethings, who have had decades to build their accounts, have an average of $147,900.

That said, Fidelity suggests that your nest egg be at least eight times your annual income to comfortably retire.

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Whirlpool WHR
$150.84 ▲ +1.79 +1.2%
+13.0 +48.2

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STOCK	TICKER	52-WK RANGE LOW	HIGH	FRIDAY CLOSE	$CHG 1WK	%CHG 1WK	%CHG 1MO	%CHG 1QTR	%CHG YTD	%RTN 1YR	RANK %RTN 5YRS*	PE	YLD
AT&T Inc	T	32.71	39.00	**35.43**	**0.26**	0.7	▲	▲	5.1	+11.40	9.8	26	5.1
AEP	AEP	40.56	51.60	**47.84**	**1.59**	3.4	▲	▲	12.1	+21.56	12.9	20	4.2
Apple Inc	AAPL	385.10	606.50	**524.99**	**4.43**	0.9	▲	▲	-1.3	+2.13	43.1	13	2.3
AutoZone	AZO	341.98	458.96	**464.08**	**15.53**	3.5	▲	▲	30.9	+24.49	34.4	17	...
BP PLC	BP	39.58	47.06	**47.18**	**1.09**	2.4	▲	▲	13.3	+22.51	5.5	11	4.8
BonTon	BONT	9.82	22.68	**13.29**	**1.61**	13.8	▲	▼	9.3	+31.46	60.5	...	1.5
CMS Eng	CMS	22.56	29.98	**27.61**	**0.33**	1.2	▲	▲	13.2	+25.63	24.0	20	3.7
ChemFinl	CHFC	20.60	31.53	**29.69**	**-0.14**	-0.5	▲	▲	25.0	+47.11	7.0	15	3.0
CocaCola	KO	35.58	43.43	**40.22**	**0.17**	0.4	▲	▲	11.0	+13.41	14.8	21	2.8
Comcast	CMCSA	34.95	48.90	**47.73**	**-0.45**	-0.9	▲	▲	27.8	+37.96	26.4	20	1.6
Deere	DE	79.50	95.60	**82.83**	**1.33**	1.6	▼	▼	-4.2	-.67	21.8	10	2.5
Disney	DIS	46.96	70.15	**70.00**	**1.42**	2.1	▲	▲	40.6	+49.04	28.0	20	1.1
ExxonMbl	XOM	84.70	95.49	**95.27**	**2.54**	2.7	▲	▲	10.1	+13.45	7.4	10	2.6
FamilyDlr	FDO	54.06	75.29	**70.02**	**2.52**	3.7	▲	▼	10.4	+7.77	22.5	18	1.5
FifthThird	FITB	13.75	20.06	**19.94**	**-0.07**	-0.3	▲	▲	31.2	+45.64	17.1	10	2.4
1stSource	SRCE	19.70	32.50	**31.62**	**-0.62**	-1.9	▲	▲	43.1	+58.18	12.0	15	2.2
FordM	F	10.38	18.02	**17.07**	**0.22**	1.3	▼	▲	31.8	+65.28	57.9	13	2.3
GenElec	GE	19.87	27.20	**27.20**	**0.15**	0.6	▲	▲	29.6	+39.38	13.7	20	2.8
Google	GOOG	636.00	1041.52	**1033.56**	**17.53**	1.7	▲	▲	46.1	+59.68	27.2	28	...
HomeDp	HD	60.21	81.56	**80.03**	**4.55**	6.0	▲	▲	29.4	+33.04	33.0	24	1.9
HorizBcp	HBNC	16.35	25.48	**21.80**	**-0.01**	0.0	▼	▼	10.9	+32.05	26.2	10	2.0
HuntBncsh	HBAN	5.81	9.06	**8.96**	**-0.06**	-0.7	▲	▲	40.2	+54.92	4.2	13	2.2
IDEX	IEX	41.33	71.02	**70.82**	**1.37**	2.0	▲	▲	52.2	+71.68	28.5	24	1.3
IntegrysE	TEG	51.14	63.58	**57.07**	**0.43**	0.8	▼	▼	9.3	+16.28	10.3	16	4.8
IBM	IBM	172.57	215.90	**183.19**	**3.20**	1.8	▲	▼	-4.4	+.56	19.7	12	2.1
JPMorgCh	JPM	38.83	56.93	**54.87**	**0.91**	1.7	▲	▲	25.6	+42.75	11.3	12	2.8
JohnJn	JNJ	68.51	94.64	**94.39**	**0.34**	0.4	▲	▲	34.7	+40.34	11.9	21	2.8
JournalCm	JRN	4.99	9.52	**8.64**	**0.20**	2.4	▲	▲	59.7	+58.53	37.8	14	...
Lowes	LOW	31.23	52.03	**51.77**	**3.05**	6.3	▲	▲	45.7	+67.03	24.4	26	1.4
McDnlds	MCD	83.31	103.70	**96.92**	**-0.09**	-0.1	▲	▲	9.9	+18.98	14.3	17	3.3
Microsoft	MSFT	26.26	38.22	**37.84**	**0.06**	0.2	▲	▲	41.7	+44.52	15.5	14	3.0
MillerHer	MLHR	18.23	31.43	**30.93**	**0.60**	2.0	▲	▲	44.1	+66.73	16.9	26	1.6
Penney	JCP	6.24	23.10	**9.03**	**0.80**	9.7	▲	▼	-54.2	–45.27	-7.3	...	...
Perrigo	PRGO	98.79	153.38	**153.13**	**4.38**	2.9	▲	▲	47.2	+52.64	36.0	30	0.2
Pfizer	PFE	23.55	32.21	**32.20**	**0.88**	2.8	▲	▲	28.4	+40.15	17.4	17	3.0
ProctGam	PG	65.83	84.46	**84.84**	**2.33**	2.8	▲	▲	25.0	+31.49	8.5	22	2.8
RepubSvc	RSG	26.45	35.61	**35.11**	**0.79**	2.3	▲	▲	19.7	+35.52	9.7	25	3.0
SearsHldgs	SHLD	38.40	66.00	**64.39**	**7.67**	13.5	▲	▲	55.7	+10.11	13.4	...	...
Steelcse	SCS	9.90	16.95	**15.99**	**-0.01**	-0.1	▼	▲	25.5	+62.66	23.0	57	2.5
Stryker	SYK	51.81	74.86	**74.21**	**0.88**	1.2	▲	▲	35.4	+44.75	11.8	27	1.4
Target	TGT	58.01	73.50	**66.89**	**1.78**	2.7	▲	▼	13.0	+9.55	16.9	16	2.6
TractSup s	TSCO	41.20	74.91	**74.09**	**2.85**	4.0	▲	▲	67.7	+72.06	54.3	34	0.7
UPS B	UPS	69.56	101.56	**100.94**	**1.94**	2.0	▲	▲	36.9	+47.05	16.0	66	2.5
VerizonCm	VZ	40.51	54.31	**50.31**	**0.11**	0.2	▲	▲	16.3	+25.62	16.4	71	4.2
WalMart	WMT	67.37	79.96	**79.22**	**1.26**	1.6	▲	▲	16.1	+17.91	10.3	15	2.4
Walgrn	WAG	31.88	60.87	**60.28**	**0.90**	1.5	▲	▲	62.9	+90.69	22.4	24	2.1
Wendys Co	WEN	4.28	9.51	**8.95**	**0.61**	7.3	▲	▲	90.4	+111.60	21.0	90	2.2
Whrlpl	WHR	93.50	151.84	**150.84**	**6.22**	4.3	▲	▲	48.2	+63.06	32.7	14	1.7
Worthgtn	WOR	20.76	41.38	**40.03**	**-0.73**	-1.8	▲	▲	54.0	+94.49	30.3	21	1.5
XPO Logis	XPO	13.55	25.68	**22.16**	**2.50**	12.7	▲	▲	27.5	+60.93	38.9	...	...

Notes on data: Total returns, shown for periods 1-year or greater, include dividend income and change in market price. Three-year and five-year returns annualized. Ellipses indicate data not available. Price-earnings ratio unavailable for closed-end funds and companies with net losses over prior four quarters. Rank classifies a stock's performance relative to all U.S.-listed shares, from top 20 percent (far-left box) to bottom 20 percent (far-right box).

StoryStocks

Stocks rose Friday, sending the Standard & Poor's 500 index and Dow Jones industrial average to record highs for a third straight day. Energy companies and raw-material producers led the way, and all 10 of the sectors that make up the S&P 500 rose. The performance helped the index clinch another weekly gain, which has become routine. The S&P has climbed for six straight weeks, its longest such streak since February.

J. C. Penney JCP
Close: **$9.03 ▲0.34 or 3.9%**
Big investors saw something in the retailer last quarter, as Jana Partners, Highfields, and Farallon bought sizeable stakes.

Vol.: **46.6m (1.2x avg.)** PE: **...**
Mkt. Cap: **$2.75 b** Yield: **...**

Mead Johnson MJN
Close: **$84.85 ▲3.97 or 4.9%**
China plans to ease its decades-old one-child rule for families, a potential windfall for the global pediatric nutrition company.

Vol.: **5.4m (3.6x avg.)** PE: **27.4**
Mkt. Cap: **$17.14 b** Yield: **1.6%**

Western Union WU
Close: **$16.70 ▼-0.75 or -4.3%**
The Wall Street Journal reported the CIA is building a database of international money transfers, the company's specialty.

Vol.: **29.2m (4.4x avg.)** PE: **11.1**
Mkt. Cap: **$9.22 b** Yield: **3.0%**

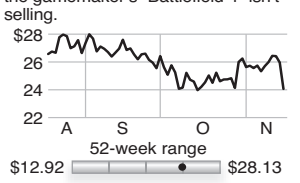
Agilent Technologies A
Close: **$54.93 ▲4.39 or 8.7%**
The scientific instrument maker topped investor expectations for the fourth quarter, though net income and revenue faded.

Vol.: **11.0m (4.2x avg.)** PE: **20.4**
Mkt. Cap: **$18.17 b** Yield: **0.9%**
SOURCE: Sungard

Vanda Pharma. VNDA
Close: **$14.59 ▲1.55 or 11.9%**
Advisers to the Food and Drug Administration recommended approval for the company's potential sleep disorder drug.

Vol.: **10.0m (7.1x avg.)** PE: **...**
Mkt. Cap: **$484.11 m** Yield: **...**

Electronic Arts EA
Close: **$24.06 ▼-1.90 or -7.3%**
Video game product sales rose for a third month, but there are signs that the gamemaker's "Battlefield 4" isn't selling.



Vol.: **11.1m (2.5x avg.)** PE: **33.9**
Mkt. Cap: **$7.44 b** Yield: **...**
AP

Jos A Bank drops Wearhouse bid

Company Spotlight

After several attempts at trying to make a deal, Jos. A. Bank withdrew its $2.3 billion offer to buy rival Men's Wearhouse.

Jos. A. Bank made an unsolicited offer of $48 per share for Men's Wearhouse in September. Men's Wearhouse rejected the bid in October, calling it "opportunistic" and "inadequate."

In late October Jos. A. Bank Clothiers announced that it would terminate its bid by Nov. 14 if there continued to be no discussions on the proposal. The company says it still believes that a deal could be in the best interest of both companies' shareholders.

Jos. A. Bank sells men's tailored and casual clothing, sportswear and footwear. While it targets a more established male professional, it's known for generous promotions like buying one suit or sport coat and getting three for free.

Jos A Bank (JOSB) Friday's close: **$50.72**
52-WEEK RANGE $37 – 51
Price-earnings ratio (Based on trailing 12 month results): **22**
Total return 1-YR: **14%** 3-YR*: **7%** 5-YR*: **32%** 10-YR*: **17%** Market value: **$1.4 billion**

AP Total returns through Nov. 15 *Annualized Source: FactSet

MutualFunds

MutualFundCategories

SPECIALTY FUNDS	YTD	PERCENT RETURN 1YR	3YR	5YR
Conservative Allocation (CA)	6.44	9.25	6.59	10.53
Moderate Allocation (MA)	14.83	19.75	9.99	13.46
Health (SH)	41.47	48.66	24.05	20.74
Natural Resources (SN)	8.36	15.64	3.40	14.56
Real Estate (SR)	3.59	10.89	10.92	20.17
Technology (ST)	28.45	38.77	12.07	22.31
BALANCED				
Target-Date 2000-2010 (TA)	7.02	10.15	6.46	10.90
Target-Date 2011-2015 (TD)	9.25	13.21	7.59	12.23
Target-Date 2016-2020 (TE)	10.36	14.82	8.33	12.98
INTERNATIONAL				
Divers. Emerging Mkt. (EM)	-0.74	7.59	-1.08	15.93
Europe Stock (ES)	21.36	32.37	9.24	15.54
Foreign Small/Mid Val (FA)	21.59	32.26	9.25	19.02
Foreign Large Blend (FB)	16.51	26.75	6.70	13.36
Foreign Large Growth (FG)	15.28	24.59	6.92	15.15
Foreign Small/Mid Gr. (FR)	22.50	30.45	11.10	21.11
Foreign Large Value (FV)	18.72	29.44	7.23	13.08
World Allocation (IH)	8.85	14.21	7.10	12.84
World Stock (WS)	21.94	30.85	10.65	16.63

	VALUE	BLEND	GROWTH
LARGE-CAP YTD	25.1 LV	32.3 LB	26.8 LG
LARGE-CAP 1YR	32.4	39.3	33.6
LARGE-CAP 3YR	14.9	19.0	16.9
LARGE-CAP 5YR	13.8	18.5	20.1
MID-CAP YTD	38.4 MV	29.0 MB	29.3 MG
MID-CAP 1YR	49.6	38.2	38.6
MID-CAP 3YR	19.0	18.8	16.3
MID-CAP 5YR	23.0	24.6	22.9
SMALL-CAP YTD	29.8 SV	31.5 SB	38.1 SG
SMALL-CAP 1YR	42.1	44.3	50.9
SMALL-CAP 3YR	17.5	16.8	19.7
SMALL-CAP 5YR	23.7	23.5	24.2

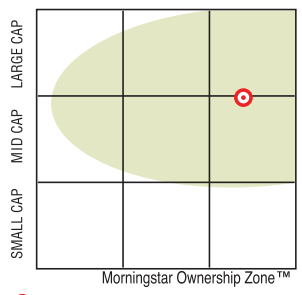
BOND FUNDS

Interm-Term Bond (CI)	-1.06	-0.86	3.57	6.97
Interm. Government (GI)	-1.98	-1.98	2.19	4.11
High Yield Muni (HM)	-5.52	-5.85	4.50	7.44
High Yield Bond (HY)	5.78	8.80	7.82	15.50
Muni National Interm (MI)	-2.17	-2.81	3.33	5.12
Muni National Long (ML)	-4.35	-5.23	3.86	5.93
Muni Short (MS)	-0.07	-0.34	1.52	2.46

FundFocus

Morningstar has put the fund's analyst rating under review due to a change in managers, although they do not expect significant changes in the fund's strategy.

First Eagle Gold m SGGDX



Fund target represents weighted average of stock holdings
Represents 75% of fund's stock holdings

CATEGORY	Equity Precious Metals
MORNINGSTAR RATING™	★★★★★
ASSETS	$767 million
EXP RATIO	1.21%
MANAGER	Rachel Benepe
SINCE	2009-02-28
RETURNS 3-MO	-12.3
YTD	-39.8
1-YR	-39.8
3-YR ANNL	-19.3
5-YR-ANNL	+5.8

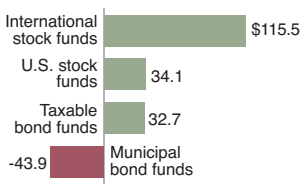
TOP 5 HOLDINGS	PCT
Gold Commodity In Ounces	24.18
Agnico Eagle Mines	6.7
Goldcorp, Inc.	6.08
Randgold Resources Ltd ADR	5.62
Fresnillo PLC	4.86

FUND	NAV	WK CHG	12-MO %RTN
AQR			
MaFtStrl	10.21	+.14	+10.3
AllianzGl			
NFJAllCpValIns	15.68	+.20	+33.1
NFJSmCVIs	38.46	+.57	+38.3
American Beacon			
LgCpVlInv	26.91	+.45	+40.5
LgCpVlIs	28.43	+.47	+41.0
SmCapInst	28.61	+.43	+48.7
American Century			
EqIncInv	9.12	+.06	+23.3
HeritInv	28.89	+.56	+37.6
InvGrInv	33.66	+.54	+32.4
MdCpValInv	16.51	+.27	+36.2
UltraInv	34.19	+.69	+38.9
American Funds			
AMCAPA m	27.93	+.49	+38.8
BalA m	24.01	+.30	+24.3
BondA m	12.53	+.05	-1.2
CapIncBuA m	58.40	+.41	+18.3
CapWldBdA m	20.32	+.08	-2.0
CpWldGrIA m	44.28	+.54	+29.5
EurPacGrA m	47.65	+.61	+24.8
FnInvA m	51.28	+.69	+34.8
GlbBalA m	30.34	+.31	+19.6
GrthAmA m	44.16	+.82	+37.0
HiIncA m	11.33	-.02	+8.3
IncAmerA m	20.48	+.15	+21.1
IntBdAmA m	13.51	+.03	-0.7
IntlGrInA m	35.43	+.30	+24.0
InvCoAmA m	38.10	+.56	+34.7
MutualA m	34.93	+.43	+30.9
NewEconA m	38.69	+.64	+45.2
NewPerspA m	38.28	+.62	+31.7
NwWrldA m	58.95	+.72	+15.7
STBdFdA m	10.00	+.01	-0.2
SmCpWldA m	50.02	+.71	+34.5
TaxEBdAmA m	12.44	+.01	-3.2
USGovSecA m	13.81	+.06	-2.2
WAMutInvA m	39.41	+.53	+34.7
Artisan			
Intl d	29.80	+.54	+31.4
IntlVal d	38.27	+.46	+35.3
MdCpVal	27.80	+.42	+42.3
MidCap	49.83	+1.13	+43.7
Aston Funds			
MtgClGrl	29.66	+.64	+29.9
BBH			
TaxEffEq d	21.57	+.29	+28.5
Baron			
Growth b	72.02	+1.06	+41.9
SmCap b	34.85	+.65	+45.3
Bernstein			
DiversMui	14.35	-.01	-1.6
IntDur	13.50	+.04	-1.8
TxMIntl	16.47	+.18	+28.5
BlackRock			
EqDivA m	23.75	+.31	+27.2
EqDivI	23.81	+.31	+27.6
EquitDivC m	23.21	+.30	+26.4
GlobAlcA m	22.11	+.28	+17.6
GlobAlcC m	20.52	+.26	+16.7
GlobAlcI	22.23	+.28	+17.9
HiYldBdIs	8.26	+.02	+11.7
HiYldInvA m	8.26	+.02	+11.4
Buffalo			
SmallCap d	40.07	+.66	+56.8
Cohen & Steers			
Realty	66.96	+.78	+13.3
Columbia			
AcornA m	36.58	+.72	+36.4
AcornIntZ	48.05	+.57	+26.0
AcornZ	38.05	+.74	+36.8
DivIncZ	18.28	+.24	+31.0
DivOppA m	10.53	+.10	+30.6
LgCrQuantA m	8.37	+.12	+36.6
StLgCpGrZ	18.75	+.57	+45.8
TaxExmptA m	13.33	+.01	-4.1
DFA			
1YrFixInl	10.33	...	+0.4
2YrGlbFII	10.07	+.01	+0.5
5YrGlbFII	11.15	+.03	+0.4
EmMkCrEql	19.62	+.09	+7.0
EmMktVal	28.56	+.12	+7.5
EmMtSmCpl	20.61	-.02	+7.2
EmgMktl	26.37	+.18	+6.5
GlEqInst	17.54	+.25	+36.1
IntCorEql	12.60	+.16	+32.9
IntGovFII	12.49	+.05	-2.9
IntSmCapl	20.08	+.12	+42.5
IntlSCol	19.38	+.15	+35.4
IntlValul	19.49	+.30	+33.2
RelEstScl	27.15	+.34	+11.9
TMMkWVal	22.97	+.42	+46.1
TMUSTarVal	31.94	+.63	+51.9
USCorEq1I	16.13	+.27	+41.3
USCorEq2I	16.01	+.27	+43.0
USLgCo	14.22	+.23	+35.7
USLgVall	30.56	+.54	+45.9
USMicroI	20.02	+.27	+53.2
USSmVall	35.36	+.60	+50.6
USSmalll	30.67	+.51	+49.8
USTgtValInst	23.26	+.43	+52.1
USVecEql	16.00	+.27	+46.7
Davis			
NYVentA m	41.74	+.70	+37.7
NYVentC m	39.97	+.66	+36.6
NYVentY	42.25	+.70	+38.0
Delaware Invest			
DiverIncA m	8.92	+.03	-1.1
Dodge & Cox			
Bal	96.23	+1.06	+32.4
GlbStock	11.59	+.17	+39.9
Income	13.61	+.05	+0.6
IntlStk	42.49	+.64	+35.1
Stock	163.01	+2.42	+46.0
DoubleLine			
TotRetBdN b	10.95	+.04	+0.9
Dreyfus			
AppreciaInv	51.36	+.72	+23.4
IntlStkl	15.68	+.14	+17.2
MidCapIdx	37.48	+.75	+40.1
Driehaus			
ActiveInc	10.79	+.02	+4.4
Eaton Vance			
LrgCpValA m	24.33	+.39	+32.9
FMI			
LgCap	21.61	+.23	+32.6
FPA			
Cres d	33.39	+.26	+24.6
NewInc d	10.36	...	+1.0
Fairholme Funds			
Fairhome d	42.60	+1.28	+44.3
Federated			
InstHiYIn d	10.20	...	+9.2
KaufmanR m	6.74	+.12	+45.9
StrVall	5.86	+.07	+25.4
ToRetIs	11.01	+.03	-0.8
Fidelity			
AstMgr20	13.59	+.09	+6.1
AstMgr50	18.27	+.21	+16.0
Bal	22.58	+.28	+22.2
BlChGrow	62.21	+1.44	+43.9
CapApr	38.30	+.90	+39.2
CapInc d	9.79	+.05	+11.6
Contra	99.48	+1.85	+37.1
DivGrow	35.32	+.64	+37.5
DivrIntl d	36.12	+.73	+29.8
EqInc	57.88	+.59	+31.9
EqInc II	24.07	+.28	+31.9
FF2015	12.90	+.13	+13.6
FF2035	13.56	+.18	+23.6
FF2040	9.55	+.13	+24.0
Fidelity	42.33	+.77	+32.2
FltRtHiIn d	9.99	...	+4.5
FourInOne	35.55	+.52	+29.3
Free2010	15.44	+.14	+13.0
Free2020	15.81	+.17	+15.2
Free2025	13.45	+.16	+18.9
Free2030	16.33	+.21	+20.2
GNMA	11.37	+.07	-0.9
GovtInc	10.28	+.03	-2.0
GrowCo	123.80	+2.64	+42.3
GrowInc	27.28	+.31	+38.6
HiInc d	9.38	...	+8.4
Indepndnc	34.53	+.99	+44.8
IntBond	10.91	+.03	-0.3
IntMuniInc d	10.23	...	-2.1
IntlDisc d	39.82	+.70	+30.4
InvGrdBd	7.73	+.03	-1.6
LevCoSt d	42.14	+.86	+44.3
LowPriStk d	49.29	+.57	+40.2
MIMuInc d	11.83	+.02	-3.2
Magellan	95.31	+1.83	+38.9
MidCap d	38.91	+.80	+42.4
MuniInc d	12.75	+.01	-3.7
NewMktIn d	15.82	-.03	-4.4
OTC	78.23	+1.55	+54.8
Puritan	21.18	+.30	+22.4
RealInv d	33.04	+.37	+11.5
ShIntMu d	10.69	...	-0.1
ShTmBond	8.59	...	+0.7
SmCapDisc d	31.56	+.50	+50.2
StkSelec	36.67	+.71	+37.6
StratInc	11.01	+.02	+2.0
TotalBd	10.51	+.04	-0.6
USBdIdx	11.47	+.04	-1.8
USBdIdxInv	11.48	+.05	-1.9
Value	101.26	+1.62	+44.0
Fidelity Advisor			
AstMgr70	20.37	+.29	+23.1
FltRateI d	9.98	...	+4.4
NewInsA m	29.17	+.57	+35.7
NewInsC m	27.38	+.53	+34.7
NewInsI	29.59	+.58	+36.1
StratIncA m	12.29	+.02	+1.7
Fidelity Select			
Biotech d	169.09	+4.95	+64.8
HealtCar d	195.62	+5.63	+56.1
Fidelity Spartan			
500IdxAdvtg	63.89	+1.01	+35.7
500IdxAdvtgInst	63.89	+1.01	+35.7
500IdxInstl	63.89	+1.01	+35.7
500IdxInv	63.88	+1.01	+35.7
ExtMktIdAg d	52.81	+1.05	+45.4
IntlIdxAdg d	40.94	+.62	+30.9
TotMktIdAg d	53.15	+.88	+37.5
First Eagle			
GlbA m	55.26	+.43	+20.5
OverseasA m	24.39	+.24	+18.0
Forum			
AbStratI	11.10	-.04	-1.1
FrankTemp-Frank			
Fed TF A m	11.79	+.02	-5.3
FrankTemp-Franklin			
CA TF A m	6.95	+.01	-4.8
GrowthA m	63.18	+.96	+32.2
HY TF A m	9.89	+.01	-7.1
HighIncA m	2.10	+.01	+9.8
Income C m	2.43	+.02	+18.4
IncomeA m	2.41	+.02	+19.2
IncomeAdv	2.39	+.02	+19.0
NY TF A m	11.22	...	-5.5
RisDvA m	48.21	+.68	+34.7
StrIncA m	10.58	+.02	+4.7
TotalRetA m	10.00	+.03	-0.2
USGovA m	6.54	+.02	-0.5
Utils A m	15.31	+.14	+20.1
FrankTemp-Mutual			
Discov Z	35.13	+.29	+30.1
DiscovA m	34.57	+.28	+29.7
QuestZ	20.02	+.21	+29.3
Shares Z	28.08	+.28	+32.1
SharesA m	27.80	+.28	+31.8
FrankTemp-Templeton			
Fgn A m	8.55	+.08	+38.2
GlBond C x	13.09	-.04	+3.3
GlBondA x	13.06	-.05	+3.8
GlBondAdv x	13.02	-.04	+4.0
GrowthA m	24.76	+.29	+38.7
WorldA m	20.02	+.20	+37.7
Franklin Templeton			
FndAllA m	13.36	+.13	+29.2
GE			
S&SUSEq	58.26	+.87	+39.3
GMO			
EmgM

MarketPulse

BIENVENUE
Investors poured into stocks last month, lured by what's shaping up to be the best year for stocks in a decade. Investors added a net $10.5 billion into U.S. stock mutual funds during October. That was in time to see the Standard & Poor's 500 index set a record high on Oct. 29, a peak it has since surpassed. Mutual funds that focus on foreign stocks were even more popular, drawing $12.2 billion in net investment. That made it the most popular type of fund during the month, according to Morningstar. It also continues an ongoing trend throughout this year: International stock funds have attracted more than triple the investment of domestic stock funds over the last 10 months.

YTD net investment
(in billions)



Data through Oct. 31; Source: Morningstar

GASSED UP
When it comes to energy, the rest of the world is increasingly buying American. U.S. exports of natural gas are up 41 percent through the first nine months of 2013 versus a year earlier, according to the most recent data from the Department of Commerce. After adding up gas, coal, petroleum products and liquefied petroleum gas, the U.S. is now exporting almost as much carbon energy as it is cars and other transportation equipment, which is its biggest export. By this time next year, the U.S. will likely pass Russia to become the largest net exporter of petroleum products, Citi Research analysts say.

HEALTHY SURPRISE
Health care stocks keep surprising investors, in a good way. The sector has jumped roughly 36 percent this year, second-best among the 10 that make up the Standard & Poor's 500 index. It follows a strong 2012, when health care was the third-best sector with a 15 percent rise. Part of health care's recent run has been due to how much better its earnings have been than analysts expected. Nearly three quarters of health care stocks have reported higher third-quarter earnings per share than Wall Street had forecast. That's above the 66 percent rate for the overall index.

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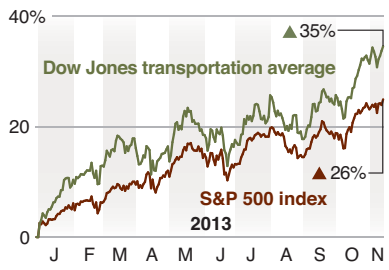
On a roll...

The Dow Jones transportation average closed at a record high Thursday. The index of 20 airline, railroad and shipping company stocks is up 34.9 percent this year. That's 9 percentage points higher than the Standard & Poor's 500 index.

Airline stocks have been a big driver. Delta Air Lines has more than doubled, up 135 percent. In late October, the carrier reported a third-quarter profit of more than one billion dollars.

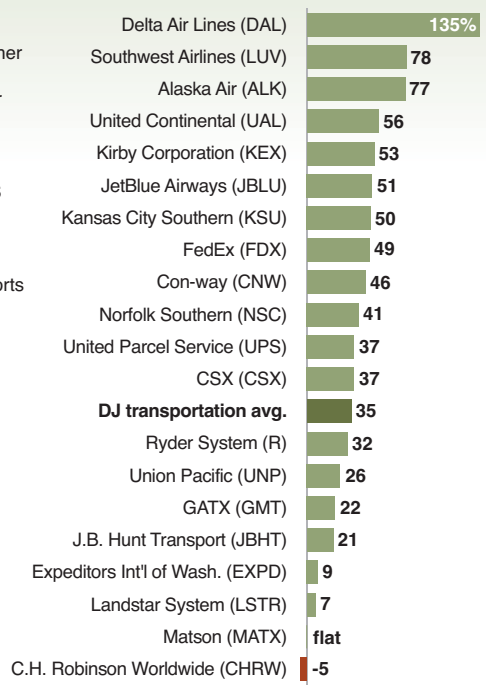
Following news that American Airlines and US Airways reached an antitrust settlement, several airlines stocks are up sharply this week. The agreement lets them create the world's biggest airline and opens up more room at key U.S. airports for low-cost carriers, such as JetBlue Airways whose stock is up 12 percent this week.

A big year Soaring airline stocks have led a skyrocketing transportation index.



Source: FactSet

Dow Jones transportation average (YTD change)


Delta Air Lines (DAL) 135%
Southwest Airlines (LUV) 78
Alaska Air (ALK) 77
United Continental (UAL) 56
Kirby Corporation (KEX) 53
JetBlue Airways (JBLU) 51
Kansas City Southern (KSU) 50
FedEx (FDX) 49
Con-way (CNW) 46
Norfolk Southern (NSC) 41
United Parcel Service (UPS) 37
CSX (CSX) 37
DJ transportation avg. 35
Ryder System (R) 32
Union Pacific (UNP) 26
GATX (GMT) 22
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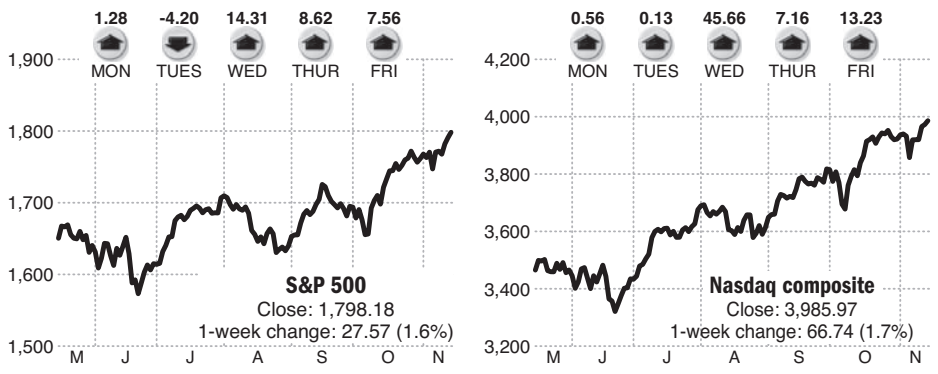


WEEKLY PERFORMANCE

52-WEEK HIGH	52-WEEK LOW	INDEX	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	MO	QTR	YTD %CHG	1YR %CHG
15962.98	12471.49	Dow Jones industrial average	15962.98	15672.00	15961.70	+199.92	+1.3	▲	▲	+21.8	+26.8
7211.61	4838.10	Dow Jones transportation	7211.61	7010.03	7211.04	+193.70	+2.8	▲	▲	+35.9	+47.4
537.86	435.57	Dow Jones Utilities	507.03	491.83	506.91	+4.45	+0.9	▲	▲	+11.9	+14.4
10189.80	7841.76	NYSE Comp.	10189.80	9963.74	10189.80	+157.67	+1.6	▲	▲	+20.7	+28.5
5690.62	4679.56	NYSE International	5627.37	5494.04	5627.03	+67.96	+1.2	▲	▲	+9.1	+19.0
3422.58	2494.38	Nasdaq 100	3422.58	3346.41	3422.58	+55.74	+1.7	▲	▲	+28.6	+35.1
3985.97	2810.80	Nasdaq Comp.	3985.97	3899.31	3985.97	+66.74	+1.7	▲	▲	+32.0	+39.7
1798.22	1343.35	S&P 500	1798.22	1760.64	1798.18	+27.57	+1.6	▲	▲	+26.1	+32.2
1311.77	940.92	S&P MidCapS&P MidCap	1311.77	1282.87	1311.77	+25.91	+2.0	▲	▲	+28.6	+37.7
19106.84	14036.94	Wilshire 5000	19106.84	18705.34	19106.57	+307.94	+1.6	▲	▲	+27.4	+34.4
1123.26	763.55	Russell 2000	1116.31	1095.36	1116.20	+16.23	+1.5	▲	▲	+31.4	+43.8
328.08	262.86	Dow Jones Stoxx 600	324.00	318.00	323.00	+0.28	+0.1	▲	▲	+15.9	+22.9
6875.62	595.41	FTSE 100	6744.77	6613.98	6693.44	-14.98	-0.2	▲	▲	+13.5	+19.4

TheMainEvent
For the week of Nov. 18

Up to the minutes

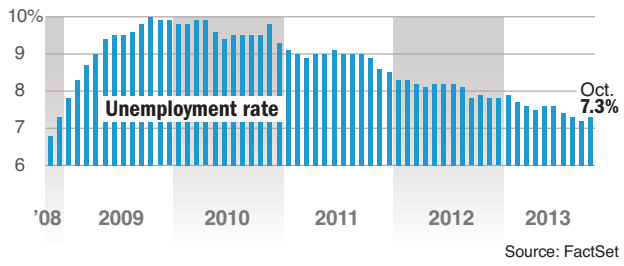
When will the Federal Reserve start pulling back on its stimulus for the economy?

The latest clues will arrive Wednesday for the question that has been atop investors' list of concerns. That's when the central bank will release the minutes of its most recent policy meeting held on Oct. 29 and 30. After that meeting, the Fed said that it needs to see more economic progress before it will pare back its $85 billion in monthly bond purchases to keep interest rates low.

Investors credit the purchases for driving the stock market higher. The Standard & Poor's 500 index set a record high last week, and it has jumped about 165 percent since bottoming in March 2009.

But worries have been percolating since the summer about when the Fed will pare back the bond purchases. The unemployment rate has been falling, which may mean the paring back could begin soon. The Fed's next policy meeting is in December.

The unemployment rate has been coming down, but it's still too high for the Federal Reserve to cut back its bond purchases.



Source: FactSet

Mortgage rates up, no tapering soon

Mortgage rates rose for a second straight week amid signs of a strengthening economy. The 30-year loan was at 4.35 percent. Comments by Janet Yellen, nominated as the next Federal Reserve chairman, at her confirmation hearing were seen as signaling the Fed won't move next month to reduce its monthly bond purchases.

InterestRates

	PRIME RATE	FED FUNDS
FRIDAY	3.25	.13
6 MOS AGO	3.25	.13
1 YR AGO	3.25	.13

Money market mutual funds	YIELD	MIN INVEST	PHONE
Taxable—national avg	0.01		
Delaware Cash Reserve/Class A	0.09	$ 1,000 min	(800) 362-7500
Tax-exempt—national avg	0.01		
Invesco Tax-Exempt Cash Fund/Cl A	0.11	$ 1,000 min	(800) 659-1005

U.S. BOND INDEXES	FRIDAY YIELD	CHANGE 1WK	1MO	3MO	1YR	52-WEEK HIGH	LOW
Broad market Lehman	2.32	0.03	▲	▼	0.61	2.68	1.68
Triple-A corporate Moody's	4.67	0.10	▲	▲	1.23	4.73	3.40
Corp. Inv. Grade Lehman	3.21	0.04	▲	▼	0.57	3.59	2.58
Municipal Bond Buyer	5.09	0.03	▼	▼	1.08	5.34	3.89
U.S. high yield Barclays	5.77	0.13	▼	▼	-0.90	6.97	4.95
Treasury Barclays	1.61	-0.02	▲	▼	0.71	1.91	0.89

TREASURYS	FRIDAY YIELD	CHANGE 1WK	1MO	3MO	1YR	52-WEEK HIGH	LOW
3-month T-Bill	0.07	0.02	▲	▲	-0.01	0.13	
1-year T-Bill	0.15	0.02	▲	▲	-0.04	0.21	0.11
6-month T-Bill	0.09	0.01	▲	▲	-0.04	0.16	0.01
2-year T-Note	0.29	-0.02	▼	▼	0.04	0.52	0.20
5-year T-Note	1.34	-0.07	▲	▼	0.72	1.83	0.60
10-year T-Note	2.71	-0.04	▲	▼	1.12	2.99	1.55
30-year T-Bond	3.79	-0.06	▲	▼	1.06	3.92	2.72

Money fund data provided by iMoneyNet Inc.

Foreign Exchange

The dollar remained above the 100 Japanese yen level, but it fell against many other currencies. It weakened against the euro and British pound, among others.

MAJORS	CLOSE	CH.	%CH.	6MO.	1YR.
USD per British Pound	1.6112	+.0054	+.34%	1.5220	1.5850
Canadian Dollar	1.0450	–.0034	–.33%	1.0175	1.0017
USD per Euro	1.3490	+.0035	+.26%	1.2875	1.2773
Japanese Yen	100.23	+.18	+.18%	102.32	81.21
Mexican Peso	12.9385	–.0380	–.29%	12.2296	13.2380
EUROPE/AFRICA/MIDDLE EAST					
Israeli Shekel	3.5193	+.0004	+.01%	3.6574	3.9757
Norwegian Krone	6.1056	–.0584	–.96%	5.8514	5.7633
South African Rand	10.1595	–.0421	–.41%	9.2713	8.9292
Swedish Krona	6.6328	–.0187	–.28%	6.6756	6.7711
Swiss Franc	.9152	–.0012	–.13%	.9658	.9424
ASIA/PACIFIC					
Australian Dollar	1.0683	–.0051	–.48%	1.0130	.9682
Chinese Yuan	6.0925	–.0000	–.00%	6.1470	6.2378
Hong Kong Dollar	7.7538	+.0002	+.00%	7.7618	7.7519
Indian Rupee	62.985	–.140	–.22%	54.785	54.785
Singapore Dollar	1.2465	–.0020	–.16%	1.2470	1.2241
South Korean Won	1062.85	–5.85	–.55%	1118.45	1088.30
Taiwan Dollar	29.60	–.00	–.00%	29.97	29.12

Commodities

The price of gold rose for a second straight day, its first back-to-back gain since Oct. 25. Gold had previously dropped five straight days. Natural gas and copper also rose.

FUELS	CLOSE	PVS.	%CH.	%YTD
Crude Oil (bbl)	93.84	93.76	+0.09	+2.2
Ethanol (gal)	1.77	1.78	–0.22	–19.0
Heating Oil (gal)	2.94	2.93	+0.28	–3.5
Natural Gas (mm btu)	3.66	3.61	+1.53	+9.2
Unleaded Gas (gal)	2.66	2.68	–0.97	–5.5
METALS	**CLOSE**	**PVS.**	**%CH.**	**%YTD**
Gold (oz)	1287.30	1286.20	+0.09	–23.1
Silver (oz)	20.72	20.71	+0.02	–31.3
Platinum (oz)	1438.90	1444.10	–0.36	–6.5
Copper (lb)	3.17	3.16	+0.38	–12.9
Palladium (oz)	732.30	739.40	–0.96	+4.2
AGRICULTURE	**CLOSE**	**PVS.**	**%CH.**	**%YTD**
Cattle (lb)	1.33	1.33	+0.32	+2.7
Coffee (lb)	1.06	1.03	+3.07	–26.5
Corn (bu)	4.22	4.26	–1.06	–39.6
Cotton (lb)	0.77	0.77	+0.78	+2.6
Lumber (1,000 bd ft)	378.30	373.00	+1.42	+1.2
Orange Juice (lb)	1.38	1.37	+1.24	+19.2
Soybeans (bu)	12.81	13.17	–2.51	–9.7
Wheat (bu)	6.45	6.45	–0.04	–17.2

BEHIND THE BRAND HOMEAWAY(AWAY)

HomeAway brings vacationers and property owners together.

The company, which was founded in 2004 and is based in Austin, Texas, runs several rental listing websites, including HomeAway.com, BedandBreakfast.com and VacationRentals.com. The sites host paid listings for condominiums, houses, cabins and other properties in 171 countries.

As vacation property listings have grown, luring more renters, so have HomeAway's earnings. They are up 85 percent, to $19.2 million, through the first nine months of the year compared with 2012.

NEW APPROACH: HomeAway typically charges owners and managers an annual subscription fee to list properties on its sites. Recently, it introduced a pay-per-booking option. Users list properties for free, but pay HomeAway a 10 percent commission on the booking.

GROWING: HomeAway is expanding operations in South America, Asia and Australia. It recently acquired a majority stake in Bookabach Ltd., operator of a vacation rental site in New Zealand. It has its sights on the Middle East and Eastern Europe next.

Thursday's close: **$35.94**
Price-earnings ratio : **133**
(Based on trailing 12 month results)
1-YR price change
AWAY: **78%** S&P 500: **32%**
Market value: **$3.1 billion**

- Revenue up 23 percent to $256.2 million through the first nine months of the year.
- As of Sept. 30, paid listings up about 7 percent to more than 773,000.

Source: FactSet Data through Nov. 15 Alex Veiga, Jenni Sohn • AP

When it comes to dividend yields, it's possible to have too much of a good thing.

The higher a stock's yield, the more it pays out in dividends relative to its share price. But a stock's yield can increase for two reasons: Either its dividend is rising, or its stock price is falling. That means when investors are considering a stock with a high yield, they need to ask whether the dividend or worries about the company's strength have driven it higher.

One way to measure a company's health is to look at how worried bond investors are that it will default. This screen from Citi Research shows dividend-paying stocks where investors see a relatively low risk of default. All the stocks have a dividend yield of at least 4 percent. For comparison, the Standard & Poor's 500 index has a yield of 2 percent.

Stock Screener

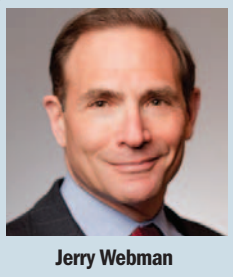
Seeking safer dividends

COMPANY	CLOSE	52-WK LOW	52-WK HIGH	1-YR CHANGE	DIV. YIELD	AVERAGE BROKER RATING*	P/E RATIO^
Altria Group (MO)	$37.70	$30	$38	22.4%	**5.1%**	1.5	15
Southern (SO)	42.36	40	49	-1.2	**4.8**	2.0	23
Duke Energy (DUK)	71.51	60	75	17.7	**4.4**	1.6	21
Ventas (VTR)	60.87	59	84	-3.7	**4.4**	1.9	42
Consolidated Edison (ED)	57.55	54	64	4.2	**4.3**	2.0	17
American Electric Power (AEP)	47.59	41	52	15.6	**4.2**	1.5	20
Verizon Communications (VZ)	50.27	41	54	19.0	**4.2**	1.4	66
Philip Morris International (PM)	90.70	82	97	10.1	**4.1**	1.4	17
Kraft Foods (KRFT)	53.02	43	59	19.6	**4.0**	1.7	17

*1= buy; 2=hold; 3=sell ^based on last 12 months Data through Nov. 14 Source: FactSet

Room for growth

Insider Q&A



Jerry Webman

Title: Chief economist and senior investment officer for OppenheimerFunds

What he suggests: The stock market hasn't maxed out its growth yet

The stock market is up roughly 25 percent this year, causing some investors to fear that the economy cannot grow fast enough to keep the rally going. But Jerry Webman sees reasons for hope. Stocks are still trading near their historic averages based on corporate profits, while the impact of Washington gridlock appears to be fading, says the chief economist for OppenheimerFunds, an investment firm that manages $228 billion.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index has surged by 25 percent this year. Should we be worried that it can only go down?
I keep coming back to simple thinking about where the stock market is relative to corporate earnings. The S&P 500 is trading at about 16 times earnings. That is close to the historic average. I would be worried if that ratio was closer to 20 times earnings. What really matters to investors are the chances for better earnings going forward. For the moment, it looks like we're at the long-term average. So I'm not worried. Plus, we're starting to see a global recovery that will drive profits.

Can investors expect stronger earnings if the economy is expanding at less than 3 percent a year?
Remember, the government created roughly a 1.5 percent drag on growth this year. That is due to the income tax rate hike at the start of the year and the automatic budget cuts known as sequestration. Another round of sequestration cuts are slated for 2014, but the higher tax rates are already in place. As a result, some of that fiscal drag from this year should fade next year, so we should be able to do better in terms of GDP growth.

You have an adage, "Hating the government is not an investment strategy." What do you mean by that?
About 80 percent of the economy is in private hands. We know the public is very dissatisfied with Congress. We know that President Obama's approval ratings are the lowest of his administration. However, people tend to confuse their political views with the prospects for making money.

How should investors prepare as the Federal Reserve prepares to unwind its monthly bond purchases?
When the Fed first talked about pulling back on its purchases in May, we saw interest rates rise on U.S. Treasury notes. That ripples through the economy. In firing that warning shot, the Fed slowed down housing and, probably, motor vehicle sales. Both of those sectors depend on consumer credit and interest rates.

The Fed is watching all of that. It's not on autopilot. If the reaction from the financial markets is extremely negative, the Fed can reduce the speed at which they end QE3. Outgoing Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke has made it pretty clear that the central bank will not act in ways that are disruptive to parts of the economy that are sensitive to interest rates.

Interviewed by Josh Boak. Answers edited for content and clarity.

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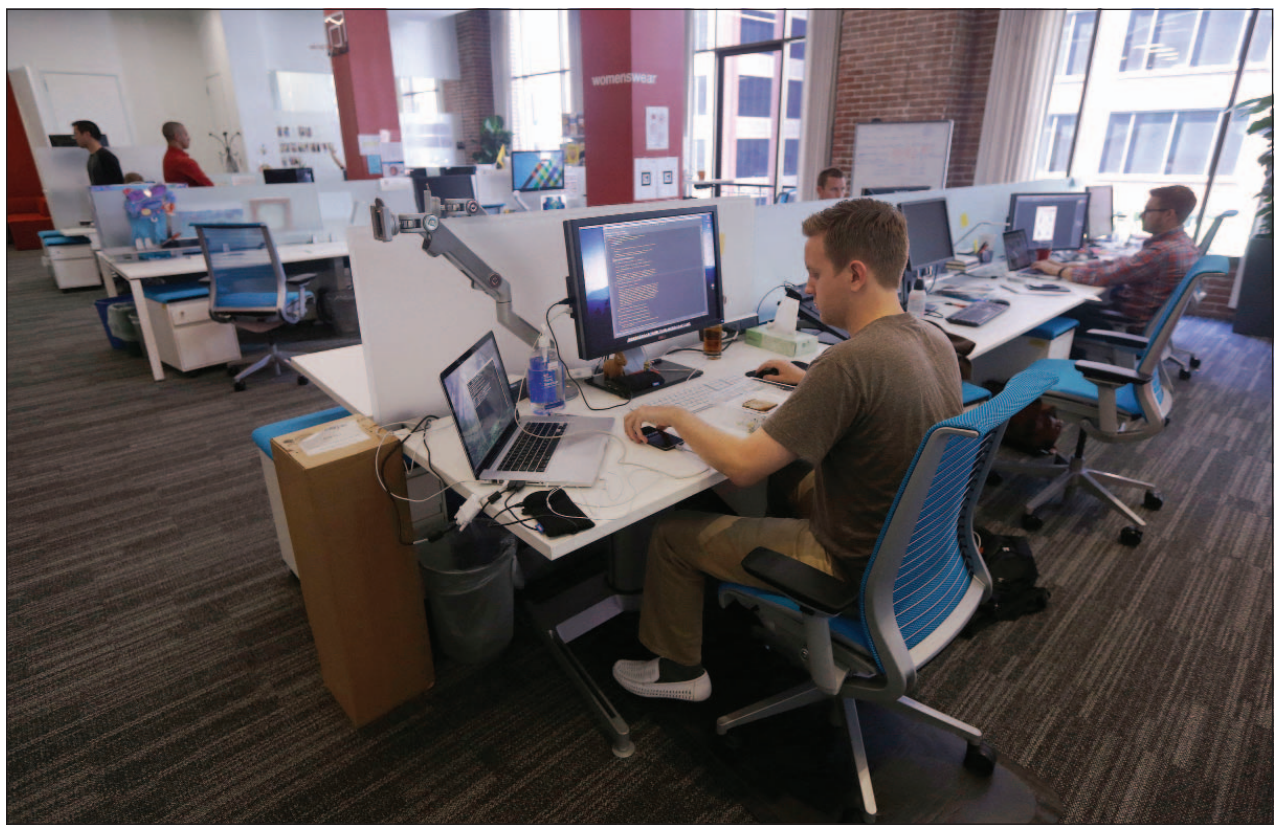
Retailers take on Silicon Valley

By ANNE D'INNOCENZIO
AP Retail Writer



Jeff Chiu / AP

Target Corp., based in Minneapolis is among a growing number of old-line retailers opening technology hubs in recent months in high-tech colonies, particularly in Silicon Valley and San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO — Software engineers wearing jeans and flip flops test the latest smartphone apps. Walls and windows double as whiteboards where ideas are jotted down. And a mini basketball net is in the center of it all.

At first glance, this workplace resembles any Silicon Valley startup. There's just one exception: Target's trademark red bulls-eye at the entrance.

Target, Kohl's and home-shopping network QVC are among a half dozen retailers opening technology test labs in the San Francisco area to do things like improve their websites and create mobile shopping apps. They're setting up shop in modern spaces and competing for top Silicon Valley talent to replicate the creativity, culture and nimbleness of online startups.

The goal is to stay on top of tech trends and better compete with online rivals like Amazon.com that attract shoppers with convenient ordering and cheap prices. The labs are a shift for retailers, which like many older industries, have been slow to adapt to rapidly changing technology. But retailers say the labs are essential to satisfy shoppers who more often are buying on their PCs, tablets and smartphones.

"Consumers expect immediate gratification," says Lori Schafer, executive adviser at SAS Institute, which creates software for retailers. As a result, she says retailers need to develop technology in weeks, instead of months or years.

Retailers are playing catch-up after several years of watching shoppers gradually move from physical stores to the Web. Online sales have grown from 5.9 percent of the $2.64 trillion in total retail sales in 2009 to 7.6 percent of the $3.1 trillion in revenue last year, according to Forrester Research.

The explosion of people using smartphones to shop has pushed stores to move faster. U.S. consumers are now spending more than half of their time on retailers' websites using their smartphones and tablets, according to the National Retail Federation, a retail trade group.

Retailers knew they needed to figure out how to create online and mobile technology to please their shoppers. So they began looking to Silicon Valley, where they hoped to tap the talent, culture and creativity that come from tech giants like Facebook and Apple.

Wal-Mart, the world's largest retailer, was the first to open a tech lab in Silicon Valley. Since opening Wal-MartLabs in San Bruno in 2011, the company has rolled out a number of technologies that it developed there.

One of the biggest projects? Wal-Mart rebuilt its website's search engine, which launched in 2012. It can guess a customer's intent when he or she types a term rather than just returning specific search results. A search for "denim" yields results for "jeans" instead of products with "denim," for example.

Wal-Mart's mobile app also has been a big focus at Wal-MartLabs, which has 1,200 workers and all the trappings of a Silicon Valley startup including treadmill desks and ping pong tables. For instance, Wal-MartLabs developed technology that enables Wal-Mart's mobile app to help guide shoppers to products. It also developed technology that enables the mobile app to track customers' spending based on a predetermined budget.

Wal-Mart, which is based in Bentonville, Ark., says having a presence in Silicon Valley has been invaluable in part because it offers the company early access to technology entrepreneurs. For example, two years ago, Wal-MartLabs met the founders of a startup called Grabble as they were in Silicon Valley pitching their technology that enables customers to get receipts for their purchases by email. Wal-Mart has since bought the startup, hired the founders, and next year, shoppers will be able to get the so-called e-receipts.

The company says it's so pleased with its results at Wal-MartLabs that it plans to open another tech office in nearby Sunnyvale in January. It also has smaller tech hubs elsewhere. "We are not a retailer in Silicon Valley," says Neil Ashe, CEO of Wal-Mart's global e-commerce operations. "We are building an Internet technology company inside the largest retailer."

Teen retailer American Eagle opened its tech center in San Francisco in July. The 10,000-square-foot location is filled with movable desks to encourage spontaneous brainstorming sessions among its 20 workers. The goal: to get to know more about American Eagle's customers.

Among its projects is an effort to consolidate the personal data of American Eagle customers, including their shopping history, from the company's email campaigns and loyalty programs. The retailer wants to gain information that would help it better target its marketing around a customer's buying habits.

AEP

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decision making," said Nicholas Akins, AEP president and chief executive officer.

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The list of employers appears in the December edition of G.I. Jobs and can be viewed at www.gijobs.com.

G.I. Jobs helps provide training and career opportunities for veterans and people in transition from military to civilian employment.

The companies were chosen as the top military friendly firms on the basis of assets they dedicated to military hiring, the strength of their recruiting schedule, policies regarding National Guard and reserve service and other criteria.

AEP said that about 1,770 of its 18,100 employees have served in the armed forces.

Michigan Tech tests solar power

HOUGHTON (AP) — Researchers at Michigan Technological University are trying to figure out if solar power generation that works in the sunny South can function in the snowy North.

A two-year-study underway at the Houghton school's Keweenaw Research Center seeks to measure how snow affects solar panels' power generation.

The international engineering company DNV GL is helping underwrite the project, Michigan Tech spokeswoman Marcia Goodrich said in a statement. She said the company specializes in "large energy – and sustainability-related projects."

The company has built an array of solar photovoltaic panels behind the research center set at different angles. The panel settings range from horizontal to 45 degrees.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

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Lakeshore's Mike Adams rushes past Byron Center's Zach Teitsma during the second half of Saturday's Division 3 regional championship game.

Lancers on the run

Lakeshore dominates Byron Center to win Div. 3 regional title

By AL AREND
HP Sports Correspondent

STEVENSVILLE — Lakeshore's football team dominated both sides of the ball here Saturday afternoon in cruising to a surprisingly easy 34-7 Division 3 regional championship victory over Byron Center.

Lakeshore 34, Byron Center 7

"Wow! What a day. What a week. That may have been the best game we've played all season," said a delighted Lancers coach Denny Dock, in reference to the 15 inches of snow that coated Al Stockman Stadium earlier in the week. "Both our offensive and defensive lines were unbelievable."

Lakeshore (9-3) will take on No. 2-rated Zeeland West (11-1) in a Division 3 semifinal next Saturday. Zeeland West thumped Mount Pleasant 62-27.

"I thought we got really good information from our offensive line today, added Dock. "That enabled us to sort some things out. Our coaches just did a fantastic job. They were really on their game today."

It will be the fourth state semifinal appearance for the Lancers under Dock, who declined to say if this was his final year at the Lakeshore helm.

"This is too much fun right now," grinned Dock. "We'll worry about that later."

In winning the school's fourth regional football crown, the Lancers rushed for 339 yards, as senior quarterback Mike Adams rushed for 111 yards, scoring twice from

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Don Campbell / HP staff

Lakeshore's Brad Newman breaks up a pass intended for Byron Center's Quinn Humphrey.

MSU stays in Legends lead

No. 14 Spartans take advantage of turnovers in victory over Nebraska

By ERIC OLSON
AP College Football Writer

LINCOLN, Neb. — Michigan State all but locked up a spot in the Big Ten championship game, and the 14th-ranked Spartans didn't even need their nation-leading defense at its best to do it.

Michigan St. 41, Nebraska 28

With Nebraska turning over the ball five times and Connor Cook directing a game-breaking drive in the fourth quarter, the Spartans won 41-28 Saturday to take a two-game lead in the Legends Division with two games to play.

"Green Gatorade never tasted so good," Michigan State coach Mark Dantonio said, taking a big swig before addressing reporters.

"You've got an opportunity to come up with five turnovers. That's tough to lose a football game when that happens," he said.

Jeremy Langford ran 32 times for 151 yards and scored two touchdowns, and Keith Mumphrey caught a 27-yard touchdown from Cook after the Cornhuskers pulled within six points.

Nati Harnik / AP

Michigan State running back Jeremy Langford runs for a touchdown while pursued by Nebraska linebacker David Santos in the second half of Saturday's game.

The Spartans (9-1, 6-0) beat the Huskers (7-3, 4-2) for the first time in eight all-time meetings. They can clinch the division with a win at Northwestern next week or a loss by Minnesota in either of its last two games. Michigan State plays Minnesota to end the regular season.

"I thought it was a really big statement against a team like Nebraska," Cook said. "They have a great defense top to bottom. It shows that we finish. Late

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Michigan wins in triple overtime

Wolverines send Wildcats to 6th straight loss

By ANDREW SELIGMAN
AP Sports Writer

EVANSTON, Ill. — Brendan Gibbons sprinted onto the field as the final seconds ticked away in regulation, and with one big boot, he delivered what might have been the best play his coach has witnessed.

Michigan 27, Northwestern 19

He also saved Michigan from another loss and helped send the Wolverines to one thrilling victory.

Gibbons tied it with a 44-yard field goal at the end of regulation and Devin Gardner scored on a 5-yard run to lift Michigan to a 27-19 triple-overtime win over Northwestern on Saturday.

Gardner scored on an option and ran it in on the two-point conversion to make it an eight-point game.

Nam Y. Huh / AP

Michigan safety Thomas Gordon (right) celebrates with defensive back Raymon Taylor after Gordon intercepted a pass in the third overtime of Saturday's game against Northwestern.

Northwestern had one more chance, but Trevor Siemian got sacked for a 14-yard loss by Jibreel Black on second down. Then, his desperation pass on fourth down got intercepted by Thomas Gordan in the end zone, giving the

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COLLEGE NOTES

Montoya signs to play baseball at Toledo

By HP STAFF

St. Joseph's A.J. Montoya signed his National Letter of Intent on Wednesday to play baseball at the University of Toledo.

Montoya has been a Division 2 all-state selection each of the past two seasons. As a sophomore in 2012, he batted .464 with 52 runs batted in, helping the Bears reach the state semifinals.

Thibeault signs with Western Michigan

Lakeshore's Haley Thibeault signed her National Letter of Intent to play softball at Western Michigan.

Thibeault has been an all-state selection in each of her three years at Lakeshore, and was a member of the Lancers' Division 2 state champions as a freshman in 2011.

In 2013, she batted .483 with a school-record 12 home runs.

Jackson coming through for Ferris State

St. Joseph graduate Jamaal Jackson picked a good time to have a breakthrough game for the Ferris State University football team.

Jackson, a junior running back, rushed 13 times for 91 yards in the Bulldogs' 54-44 victory over rival Grand Valley State on Oct. 12. Ferris State has now won two straight over the Lakers, who took the previous 11 matchups in the series.

Jackson followed his strong game by rushing 14 times for 93 yards in a loss to Hillsdale on Oct. 19, and rushed 12 times for 68 yards and four touchdowns in a win over Wayne State on Nov. 2.

For the season, Jackson has 69 carries for 389 yards and five touchdowns. Ferris State is 7-3.

Grimes playing for GVSU

South Haven graduate Isiah Grimes has appeared in six games at quarterback for the Grand Valley State football team.

Grimes has completed 67 of 118 passes for 1,228 yards and seven touchdowns with five interceptions. He has filled in for regular starter Heath Parling, who has battled injuries.

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Contributed photo

St. Joseph baseball player AJ Montoya signs a National Letter of Intent to play at the University of Toledo.

In brief

LMC women drop close game to Owens

The Lake Michigan College women's basketball team lost to Owens Community College 74-71 on Saturday.

Lexi Hobbs had a game-high 22 points and 13 rebounds for the Red Hawks (2-1), who trailed 38-31 at halftime.

DeYahnna Styles added 17 points, four assists and four steals for LMC.

LMC men can't find shot against Owens

The Lake Michigan College men's basketball team struggled with its shooting in an 89-67 loss to Owens Community College on Saturday.

The Red Hawks (2-2) were just 1 for 21 from 3-point range. They trailed 51-31 at halftime.

Ken Coates led LMC with 23 points and six assists. Loren Johnson added 16 points and T.J. Scott scored 12.

Kurt Caselli killed in Baja 1000

BAJA CALIFORNIA, Mexico (AP) — American desert motorcycle racer Kurt Caselli died Friday after wrecking in the Baja 1000 in Mexico, event sanctioning body Score International said Saturday.

Score said the 30-year-old Caselli, from Palmdale, Calif., died of trauma after losing control of his KTM in a sandy, high-speed section while leading with about 100 miles left.

Caselli won the San Felipe 250 last season and finished second and third in the other two Score Baja races this season. He won two stages in the Dakar Rally in January, and took the Desafio Ruta 40 Rally in June in Argentina.

"Our desert racing family has lost a very special person in Kurt," Score President Roger Norman said. "Kurt was a superb racer and this is a tragedy that affects us all. We extend our deepest condolences, thoughts and prayers to the Caselli family. Their loss is immeasurable and we grieve with them."

Vettel wins pole for U.S. Grand Prix

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Once again, Sebastian Vettel got the better of Red Bull teammate and rival Mark Webber.

Vettel's late surge in qualifying allowed him to take the pole position from Webber for Sunday's U.S. Grand Prix. That puts the four-time world champion in the prime spot to go after a record eighth consecutive victory this season and a title that escaped him last year.

"Shake and bake!" the German and his crew shouted to each other, a humorous and quite American nod to the fictional NASCAR movie "Talladega Nights."

Webber appeared set to earn his third pole position in the last four races until Vettel lapped the Circuit of the Americas in 1 minute, 36.338 seconds, pushing the Australian into second.

Webber, who is leaving Formula One after this season to drive in the world endurance championship, was clearly frustrated by his late slip in the No. 2 spot.

Airwaves

Television today

6:00 a.m. (Golf) **Golf** DP World Tour Championship, Final Round. From Dubai (Live)

12:00 p.m. (Bigten) **Women's College Basketball** Connecticut at Penn State. (Live)
(FoxDetroit) **College Basketball** Indiana State at Notre Dame. (Live)
(NBCSports) **U.S. Olympic Trials** Men's & Women's Curling, Match 3. (If necessary. If no match 3, match 2 will re-air). (Live)

1:00 p.m. (2) (3) (22) **NFL Football** Baltimore Ravens at Chicago Bears. (Live) (CC)
(17) (28) **NFL Football** Detroit Lions at Pittsburgh Steelers. (Live) (CC)

2:00 p.m. (5) (8) (16) **Formula One Racing** United States Grand Prix. From Austin, Texas. (Live) (CC)
(Bigten) **College Soccer** Big Ten Tournament Championship. (Live)
(Golf) **Golf** OHL Classic, Final Round. From Mexico. (Live)

3:00 p.m. (ESPN) **NASCAR Racing** Sprint Cup: Ford EcoBoost 400. From Homestead-Miami Speedway (Live)
(FS1) **Women's College Basketball** California at Georgetown. (Live) (CC)

4:00 p.m. (FoxDetroit) **College Basketball** Long Beach State at Kansas State. (Live)

4:25 p.m. (17) **NFL Football** Minnesota Vikings at Seattle Seahawks. (Live) (CC)
(28) (32) **NFL Football** Green Bay Packers at New York Giants. (Live) (CC)

4:30 p.m. (5) (8) (16) **Figure Skating** ISU Grand Prix: Trophee Eric Bompard. From Paris. (Taped) (CC)

5:00 p.m. (Bigten) **College Basketball** Stony Brook at Indiana. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Michigan at Iowa State. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Towson at Villanova. (Live) (CC)

7:00 p.m. (9B) **NHL Hockey** San Jose Sharks at Chicago Blackhawks. (Live) (CC)
(Bigten) **College Basketball** Rider at Purdue. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Robert Morris at Kentucky. (Live)

8:20 p.m. (5) (8) (16) **NFL Football** Kansas City Chiefs at Denver Broncos. (Live) (CC)

9:00 p.m. (ESPN) **2013 World Series of Poker** Final Table. From Las Vegas.

9:30 p.m. (FoxDetroit) **NBA Basketball** Detroit Pistons at Los Angeles Lakers. (Live)

10:00 p.m. (ESPN2) **NHRA Drag Racing** Lucas Oil Series. From Pomona, Calif. (Taped)

Monday

7:00 p.m. (Bigten) **College Basketball** Coaches vs. Cancer Classic — Portland at Michigan State. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Vermont at Providence. (Live) (CC)

7:30 p.m. (NBCSports) **NHL Hockey** Anaheim Ducks at Pittsburgh Penguins. (Live)

8:00 p.m. (Csnch) **NBA Basketball** Charlotte Bobcats at Chicago Bulls. (Live)

8:25 p.m. (ESPN) **NFL Football** New England Patriots at Carolina Panthers. (Live)

Radio today

1 p.m.
NFL — Lions at Steelers (WSJM-AM, 1400 and WCSY-FM, 103.7)
NFL — Ravens at Bears (WBBM-AM, 780)
5 p.m.
College basketball — Michigan at Iowa State (WSJM-AM, 1400)
7 p.m.
NHL — Sharks at Blackhawks (WGN-AM, 720)

Monday

7 p.m.
College basketball — Portland at Michigan State (WCSY-FM, 103.7)
8 p.m.
NBA — Bobcats at Bulls (WMVP-AM, 1000)

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Jimmie Johnson prepares for practice Saturday for the Sprint Cup EcoBoost 400 race today in Homestead, Fla.

Getting his due

Johnson fights for his place in NASCAR history

By JENNA FRYER
AP Auto Racing Writer

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Jimmie Johnson is up almost every day by 5:30 a.m., the easiest time of day to do his training.

He runs five days a week, logging up to 40 miles on foot, swims two days a week and cycles two days a week. Johnson has completed half marathons, multiple triathlons and now has his eyes set on an Ironman and the Boston Marathon, perhaps as early as next year.

Yet as the most dominant driver of the decade closes in on his sixth NASCAR championship in eight years, his accomplishments fail to earn proper due. The latest slight came from retired NFL quarterback Donovan McNabb, who said on a Fox Sports 1 program that Johnson is "absolutely not" an athlete.

"He sits in a car and he drives, that doesn't take being athletic," McNabb said Friday night during a debate over the most dominant athletes in sports. "What athletically is he doing?"

It triggered an immediate backlash on social media against McNabb, who ranked Johnson third on his personal list behind Tiger Woods and Kobe Bryant. Fellow drivers rallied to the defense of Johnson, who stayed silent on the subject until Saturday morning.

Johnson Tweeted his response, posting: "The debate continues... Everyone is entitled to an opinion. (hashtag)DriversAreAthletes."

Goaded by a fan to go harder on the topic, Johnson declined.

"I choose to be respectful. There is way too much venom spewed these days," he tweeted in response.

And that was his final word on the subject as Johnson headed off for the final two practice sessions before Sunday's season finale race at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

He can win his sixth championship by finishing 23rd or better. Matt Kenseth and Kevin Harvick both need for something to go terribly wrong with Johnson's Hendrick Motorsports Chevrolet on the track to have any shot at snatching the title.

A spokeswoman for Johnson said he would have no further comment on McNabb beyond his Saturday morning tweets She said Johnson was focused only on preparing the No. 48 for the final race of the year.

"We're just working on comfort," Johnson said between practice sessions. "I was just out there running around on old tires, trying to find a little comfort in the car."

Business as usual for Johnson and his laser-focused Hendrick crew. Johnson's 10-lap average ranked sixth in Saturday's first practice, and he shot to the top of the leaderboard in the final session before Sunday's race.

That's what has put him in this position, and put a NASCAR drivers' name in the debate of dominant athletes.

Johnson's 66 Sprint Cup wins since 2002 are 30 more than any other driver has won during the same span, and a sixth title will put only the seven won by Richard Petty and the late Dale Earnhardt ahead of him on the all-time list.

Neither Petty nor Earnhardt did it in an eight-year span. And should Johnson win the title, at 38 he would be four years younger than Earnhardt was when he won his sixth.

But outside of NASCAR, his numbers rank among other recent greats.

▶Roger Federer won 16 of 27 Grand Slams from 2003-10.

▶Michael Phelps won 18 gold medals in three Olympics from 2004 to 2012.

▶Tiger Woods won four consecutive majors in 2000 and 2001, and seven overall from 1999-2002.

Rick Hendrick plucked the relatively unknown Johnson out of the Nationwide Series in late 2001 to be the driver of his new fourth car. He has been fighting for years to get Johnson more respect.

"I don't think Jimmie's gotten the real credit he deserves for the talent that he has, and for the dedication that he has given to this sport," the team owner said. "He's a guy that works out, eats, and is a student of looking at track data, tire data. He lives and breathes being a perfectionist. I think Jimmie's as good as I've ever seen."

Petty, NASCAR's all-time wins leader with 200, believes it impossible to rank the greatest drivers. Petty won his last championship the year before Earnhardt's first full Cup season, and Johnson made his Cup debut eight months after Earnhardt's fatal accident.

"It's like taking somebody from the Olympics in the year 1900 and comparing them to somebody in the year 2000. Everything has (changed) so much, everybody is in better shape," said Petty, who does see immense talent in Johnson.

"Jimmie is pretty good and pretty cool about handling different circumstances. Although most of the time he's handling it from the front, even when he gets in the back he's very conscious of what's going on and can race with people without getting overaggressive," Petty said.

"He knows his ability and he knows the ability of his car, so if he's having trouble or he's running and he's a fifth-place car, then he settles for fifth place and goes on down the road."

NASCAR President Mike Helton said it's too early to define Johnson, who could rewrite almost every category in the record books before he's done. Although Petty's 200 wins is probably out of reach, there's no indication he won't win many more championships in the coming years.

Dillon holds off Hornish for title

By MARK LONG
AP Sports Writer

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Austin Dillon won the NASCAR Nationwide Series championship, holding off Sam Hornish Jr. in a wild season finale Saturday.

Sprint Cup regular Brad Keselowski won the race after moving up 10 spots in the final laps.

Dillon, driving the famed No. 3 for his grandfather, Richard Childress, finished 12th. It was good enough to hold off Hornish by three points. Hornish crossed the line eighth.

"We didn't have the car tonight at all," Dillon said. "Probably the worst car we had all year. But we fought. My guys kept me positive in the car. I just knew I had to go on that last restart. I've been criticized for restarts for a long time, and that was a pretty good one."

Hornish looked as if he would overcome an eight-point deficit in the standings for much of the 200-lap race, but a lengthy caution late posed problems. Hornish dropped from third to ninth on the final restart with five laps to go, ending his chances at getting a title in what could be his final race for Penske Racing.

Keselowski got new tires during the final caution and used them to weave his way through traffic. He went from 11th to first in a two-lap span after the restart. And once he was out front, no one was catching him.

Certainly not Dillon and Hornish, who were on old tires.

Keselowski finished the season with seven victories, all in the last 10 of his 16 series starts.

Rookie Kyle Larson finished second, followed Kyle Busch, Matt Kenseth and Trevor Bayne.

There were 12 laps under the final caution, a lengthy delay that surprised drivers and crew chiefs. A wreck involving Regan Smith, Mike Wallace and Jeremy Clements brought out the yellow flag with 17 to go and led to an extended cleanup for oil.

"We missed it after that late race caution," Hornish said. "We were exactly where we needed to be."

But not having fresh tires made passing anyone difficult, if not impossible, down the stretch. It didn't help that Kyle Busch spun his tires on the restart, leaving Hornish with nowhere to go.

"Couldn't get far enough ahead of those guys who had taken four tires," Hornish said.

Montoya prepares for final NASCAR race

By JENNA FRYER
AP Auto Racing Writer

MONTOYA

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — There's a handmade Colombian flag hanging inside Juan Pablo Montoya's motorhome that was given to him by a fan several weeks ago.

Three words are embroidered into the stripes: IndyCar Champ 2014.

Eight years after Montoya came into NASCAR amid great hype and high expectations, he'll quietly close out his career Sunday at Homestead-Miami Speedway with unmet goals and his long relationship with Chip Ganassi at a crossroads.

Montoya is headed back to open wheel. He will drive for Roger Penske next season in IndyCar, a job he jumped at in September after Ganassi informed him a month earlier he wouldn't be bringing him back in 2014.

His record currently shows two wins in 252 starts — both victories on road courses — and he hasn't been to Victory Lane since 2010. He never won on an oval and his best season was 2009, when he made the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship and finished eighth in the final standings.

Many will call him his NASCAR stint a bust and ultimately remember Montoya for the explosive fireball created when he crashed into a jet dryer during the 2012 Daytona 500.

But three-time NASCAR champion Tony Stewart said there's no denying the Montoya's talent. He won the Indianapolis 500, a CART championship and seven Formula One races. Stewart said he recognized Montoya's skill immediately in 2007 when Montoya participated in the Prelude to the Dream late-model race at Stewart's Eldora Speedway.

"He can drive," Stewart said. "The thing that showed me was when we went to Prelude and I had him sit on the door of the car and I showed him how to drive the car down through the pit area and turned around and switched, and he drove it back. I had to show him how to get it rolling and then he took off — after three laps, he had never been on dirt before and never been to Eldora before, which is not an easy place to go your first time.

"So who knows what the missing piece of the puzzle for him over there? Something wasn't in the equation."

Montoya was careful when discussing Ganassi. He chose his words carefully and declined to comment when asked if he thinks he'd have been more competitive with another NASCAR team.

"I decided to come here and do it with Chip, and we knew from Day 1 — he told me it was going to be an uphill battle and it was," Montoya said. "We worked as hard as we could. If you look at all the years of Ganassi, the only guy who made the Chase was me. From that point of view, I'm happy.

"I think the hardest thing over the years was the amount of changes. There was just no consistency."

He's correct on the consistency issue, as Ganassi made five different crew chief changes on the No. 42 team since Montoya's rookie 2007 season.

Red Wings lose in shootout

By IRA PODELL
AP Sports Writer

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Kevin Poulin stopped all three Detroit skaters in the shootout after coming on in relief, and the New York Islanders outlasted the reeling Red Wings in a 5-4 see-saw matchup Saturday night.

New York 5 Detroit 4

Neither team could hold the lead until Poulin finally shut the door in the tie-breaker, denying Henrik Zetterberg, Pavel Datsyuk and Todd Bertuzzi. The Red Wings had tied the game 4-4 when Datsyuk scored his second of the night with 42.5 seconds left in regulation.

The Red Wings have lost six straight games and five in a row after regulation — the past three in shootouts.

Frans Nielsen scored the only shootout goal for the Islanders, who had dropped five of six.

Datsyuk, playing in his 800th NHL game, salvaged a point for the Red Wings when he forged the fourth tie of the game. The goal was scored after Detroit pulled goalie Jonas Gustavsson for an extra skater.

Pierre-Marc Bouchard had given the Islanders a 4-3 lead when he tipped Aaron Ness' shot from the left point past Gustavsson 4:43 into the third for his fifth goal.

The Islanders are 6-0-1 against Detroit in the past seven meetings and haven't been beaten by the Red Wings in regulation since November 2003.

New York outshot Detroit 15-4 in the third period and 6-1 in overtime.

John Tavares had a goal and assist to stretch his point and assist streaks to five games. Casey Cizikas and Brock Nelson both scored tying goals in the second period for the Islanders. Poulin made 19 saves in relief of starter Evgeni Nabokov, who left in the first period with a groin injury.

Darren Helm and Johan Franzen had the other goals for the Red Wings.

Kathy Kmonicek / AP

New York's Andrew MacDonald (47) falls to the ice after being held by Detroit's Todd Bertuzzi (44) in the first period of Saturday's game. Bertuzzi received a two-minute penalty for holding.

Nigeria, Ivory Coast qualify for World Cup

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nigeria and Ivory Coast have qualified for the World Cup.

The Nigerians became the first African team to qualify for next year's showcase, beating Ethiopia 2-0 in the second leg of their playoff Saturday. Nigeria, playing at home Calabar, won 4-1 on total goals.

Ivory Coast played to a tense 1-1 draw with Senegal for a 4-2 total-goals victory in neutral Casablanca, Morocco. Ivory Coast won the first leg 3-1. It made its World Cup debut in 2006 and will be going to the tournament for the third straight time.

Five teams will represent Africa in Brazil, with three remaining playoffs.

Cameroon and Tunisia are even after a 0-0 draw in Tunisia while Burkina Faso leads Algeria 3-2 entering second-leg games Sunday. Burkina Faso has never been to the World Cup. Egypt hosts Ghana on Tuesday and needs a major upset to reach the World Cup for the first time since 1990. Ghana won the first leg 6-1.

If Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Cameroon, Algeria and Ghana qualify, Africa will be represented by the same five teams that made it to South Africa's World Cup.

In Nigeria, Victor Moses made a 20th-minute penalty kick after an Ethiopian hand ball. Victor Obinna scored in the 82nd minute to send the African champion to Brazil. Nigeria has qualified for five of the last six World Cups.

"President Goodluck Ebele Jonathan heartily congratulates the Super Eagles of Nigeria," a statement from the Nigerian leader's office said.

Ethiopia had been trying to reach its first World Cup after emerging as the surprise team of the African qualifying campaign.

In Morocco, Salomon Kalou of Ivory Coast struck in the fourth minute of injury time to make sure Africa's top-ranked team advanced. With Senegal surging forward, Yaya Toure set up Kalou for the clinching goal. Moussa Sow of Senegal scored on a penalty kick in the 77th minute. Ivory Coast star Didier Drogba gave away the penalty that put Senegal on the verge of a major upset.

The game was played in Casablanca because of a stadium ban on Senegal after a riot in an African Cup qualifier between the teams last year.

It was also the first game for Senegal since the death of Bruno Metsu, the French coach who led the Senegalese to the quarterfinals at the 2002 World Cup. That was the nation's first and only appearance at the tournament.

James Buck / Kalamazoo Gazette-MLive Media Group

Central Michigan's Zurlon Tipton (34) and Titus Davis celebrate after Tipton scored against Western Michigan during Saturday's game.

Back in form

Tipton leads Central Michigan to win over Western Michigan

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KALAMAZOO — Zurlon Tipton rushed for 114 yards and scored two touchdowns to lead Central Michigan to a 27-22 win over Western Michigan on Saturday.

Tipton, who had been out for most of the year after breaking his ankle in the season opener, scored from the 10 and the 1 to give the Chippewas (4-6, 3-3 Mid-American) a 14-0 lead.

Western Michigan (1-10, 1-6) took the lead 16-14 with 7:37 remaining in the third on three Andrew Haldeman field goals and a 29-yard scoring run by Dareyon Chance.

Central Michigan regained the lead for good on a Mike Kinville-from-Cooper Rush touchdown pass. Tony Annesse returned an interception 34 yards for a touchdown to push the lead to 27-16.

The Broncos scored on a Brian Fields' 1-yard run after Cory Sueing forced a fumble, recovered by Austin Lewis. Western Michigan mounted another late drive but it stalled on Central Michigan's 26.

No. 3 Ohio State 60, Illinois 35

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — Carlos Hyde ran for 246 yards and four touchdowns and Braxton Miller had another 184 yards rushing and two scores to push Ohio State past Illinois.

But even with Hyde's offensive explosion, the Buckeyes (10-0, 6-0 Big Ten) needed a third-quarter defensive stop and safety to recover the momentum.

After trailing 28-0 in the second quarter, Illinois (3-7, 0-6) closed to 35-21 in the third on two Nathan Scheelhaase touchdown passes.

Illinois had the momentum when the Buckeyes' Ryan Shazier sacked backup quarterback Reilly O'Toole in the end zone. Illinois recovered his fumble but the safety gave the Buckeyes a 37-21 edge and the ball. Minutes later, a Hyde touchdown put them up 44-21.

Hyde tacked on two late, long touchdowns runs of 55 and 51 yards.

Miller threw for 150 yards and two touchdowns.

Scheelhaase led the Illini with 288 yards passing and two touchdowns.

The Buckeyes defense kept Scheelhaase under pressure all day, sacking him five times and hitting him more than that.

No. 17 Wisconsin 51, Indiana 3

MADISON, Wis. — James White rushed for a career-high 205 yards, including a 93-yard touchdown run, and Melvin Gordon added 146 and another TD as No. 17 Wisconsin beat Indiana.

The Badgers (8-2, 5-1 Big Ten) came in expecting a big game on the ground against the conference's 10th-ranked rushing defense, with the Hoosiers (4-6, 2-4) giving up an average of more than 217 yards a game.

Wisconsin topped that just minutes into the second quarter, had 323 yards rushing at the half and finished with 554, just short of the school-record 564 the Badgers rolled up in beating Indiana 62-14 last season.

Backup Wisconsin running back Corey Clement rushed for 108 yards and two touchdowns, while receiver Jared Abbrederis had 86 yards on just three carries, two of them for scores.

Indiana's high-flying offense, meanwhile, was nowhere to be found. Second in the conference at 527 yards a game, the Hoosiers were held to just 224 yards. Indiana had gone scoreless in just three quarters the entire season, but matched that Saturday.

Indiana coach Kevin Wilson has often switched between Nate Sudfeld and Tre Roberson at quarterback, but neither was effective.

Penn State 45, Purdue 21

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Zach Zwinak ran for three touchdowns and Allen Robinson set Penn State's single-season receptions mark, leading the Nittany Lions to the win.

Zwinak had a pair of 1-yard TD runs in the first half and a 5-yard score in the second, boosting his season total to 12. Robinson's fifth catch of the game was his 78th of the season, topping the 77 catches he had last season. He also holds Penn State's single-season yards receiving record.

Christian Hackenberg threw a touchdown pass and ran for one to help the Nittany Lions (6-4, 3-3 Big Ten) clinch at least a .500 record. The Nittany Lions are still suffering from the sanctions the NCAA levied in the Jerry Sandusky scandal and are not eligible for a bowl game.

Raheem Mostert had a 100-yard kickoff return for the Boilermakers (1-9, 0-6).

Again, the Nittany Lions proved their resiliency under second-year coach Bill O'Brien and improved to 7-1 after a loss the last two seasons. The Nittany Lions haven't lost two straight games since they started 0-2 last season. They finished 8-4 in 2012 and can't have a losing record this season with games left against Nebraska and at Wisconsin. Led by O'Brien, those are solid achievements from a program many expected would be decimated in the wake of the scandal that also stripped scholarships.

The 90,000-plus fans don't quite pack Beaver Stadium like they used to — Penn State announced an attendance of 96,491, though the stadium was nowhere near that full, and scores of blue seats were empty behind one end zone.

Bulls hand Pacers first loss

CHICAGO (AP) — Luol Deng scored 23 points, Derrick Rose added 20 points and the Chicago Bulls knocked off the NBA's last unbeaten team with a 110-94 win over the Indiana Pacers on Saturday night.

Chicago 110 Indiana 94

Taj Gibson had 15 points and eight rebounds for Chicago (5-3), which won its fourth straight game behind 11-of-19 shooting from 3-point range.

Rose was 6 for 11 from beyond the arc in 30 minutes after missing a game with a sore right hamstring.

Roy Hibbert led Indiana (9-1) with 14 points and 10 rebounds. Paul George, who averaged 24.6 points per game coming in, was held to 12 points.

Indiana was the NBA's first 9-0 team since the 2002-03 Dallas Mavericks, who won 14 games to start the season.

Bryant returns to practice with Lakers

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AP) — Kobe Bryant returned to practice with the Los Angeles Lakers on Saturday for the first time since he tore his Achilles tendon seven months ago.

Bryant went through several light drills with his teammates during a short practice at the Lakers' training complex.

"He looked good and did a few moves I didn't expect him to do right away," center Pau Gasol told the Lakers' official website. "I'm very happy for him and for us, and definitely looking forward to when he'll play in a game."

Bryant has given no timetable for his return to the court.

Thompson leads Ochoa Invitational

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GUADALAJARA, Mexico — Lexi Thompson moved into position for her second victory in her last four starts, taking the third-round lead Saturday in the Lorena Ochoa Invitational.

The 18-year-old Thompson shot a 5-under 67 to reach 13-under 203 at Guadalajara Country Club. She had a one-stroke lead over South Korea's I.K. Kim.

Thompson won the 2011 LPGA Navistar Classic at 16, and took the LPGA Malaysia last month for her second tour title. After opening with a 72, she had a 64 — the best round of the week in the 36-player event— Friday to pull within a stroke of second-round leaders Anna Nordqvist, So Yeon Ryu and Pornanong Phatlum.

Kim birdied the final two holes for a 67.

Third-ranked Stacy Lewis was third at 11 under after a 67.

Ryu was another stroke back after a 71. Nordqvist and Phatlum each shot 72 to remain 9 under.

Top-ranked Inbee Park, No. 2 Suzann Pettersen and Lizette Salas were 8 under. Pettersen had a 70, Salas shot 71, and Park 72. Michelle Wie, the 2009 winner, was 7 under after a 67.

Tournament host Lorena Ochoa won 27 LPGA Tour titles before retiring in 2010.

OHL CLASSIC

PLAYA DEL CARMEN, Mexico — Harris English and Robert Karlsson shared the lead in the rain-delayed OHL Classic when third-round play was suspended because of darkness.

English and Karlsson were 15 under overall with 11 holes left in the round.

English matched the lowest round of his PGA Tour career Saturday morning with a 9-under 62 on Mayakoba Resort's El Camaleon course. The 24-year-old former Georgia star won the FedEx St. Jude Classic in June for his first PGA Tour title.

Karlsson played 36 holes Friday, shooting 63-67. The 44-year-old Swede, an 11-time winner on the European Tour, tied for 10th last weekend in the McGladrey Classic to earn a spot in the field this week.

Rory Sabbatini and Kevin Stadler were tied for second at 12 under. Sabbatini completed eight holes in the third round, and Stadler played six. None of the 78 players who made the cut were able to finish the round.

More than 4 1/2 inches of rain hit the course from Wednesday afternoon to Friday afternoon. Because of the wet conditions, players are using preferred lies.

AUSTRALIAN MASTERS

MELBOURNE, Australia — Defending champion Adam Scott shot a 5-under 66 at Royal Melbourne to open a four-stroke lead at 14-under 199 in the Australian Masters.

The second-ranked Scott won the Australian PGA on Sunday at Royal Pines in his first home event since winning the Masters at Augusta National. He will team with Jason Day for Australia next week in the World Cup, also at Royal Melbourne, then play the Australian Open the following week at Royal Sydney.

Fifty-year-old Vijay Singh had a 63 to join Australians Matthew Griffin (69), Nick Cullen (69) and Nathan Holman (70) at 10 under. American Matt Kuchar was sixth at 9 under after a 67.

Jarrod Lyle, playing his first tournament after a second bout with leukemia, was even par after a 70.

WORLD TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Henrik Stenson closed in on the European Tour money title Saturday, birdieing four of the last five holes to take a one-shot lead in the season-ending World Tour Championship.

Trying to become the first player to win the FedEx Cup and European title in the same year, the Swede finished with a 5-under 67 to reach 17-under 199 on Jumeriah's Earth Course.

Stenson also leads the Race to Dubai standings. The points champion will receive $1 million from a $3.75 million bonus pool that counts on the final money list. In September, Stenson won the PGA Tour's season-ending Tour Championship to take the FedEx Cup title and $10 million bonus.

France's Victor Dubuisson, coming off a victory last week in Turkey, was second after a 64.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

NO. 14 MICHIGAN ST. 41, NEBRASKA 28

Michigan St.	10	10	7	14	— 41
Nebraska	7	0	14	7	— 28

First Quarter
MSU—FG Geiger 45, 12:23.
MSU—Shelton 5 run (Geiger kick), 4:57.
Neb—Burtch 32 pass from Armstrong (Smith kick), 2:44.
Second Quarter
MSU—FG Geiger 25, 10:29.
MSU—Langford 6 run (Geiger kick), :21.
Third Quarter
Neb—Cross 51 run (Smith kick), 11:25.
MSU—Langford 3 run (Geiger kick), 5:26.
Neb—Bell 38 pass from Armstrong (Smith kick), 1:12.
Fourth Quarter
MSU—Mumphery 27 pass from Cook (Geiger kick), 7:56.
MSU—Langford 37 run (Geiger kick), 1:58.
Neb—Abdullah 12 pass from Kellogg (Smith kick), :10.
A—90,872.

	MSU	Neb
First downs	18	19
Rushes-yards	48-168	32-182
Passing	193	210
Comp-Att-Int	15-32-0	17-32-1
Return Yards	26	(-4)
Punts-Avg.	7-40.6	5-43.2
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	6-4
Penalties-Yards	6-60	3-30
Time of Possession	38:37	21:23

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Michigan St., Langford 32-151, D.Williams 3-8, Shelton 3-6, Fowler 1-4, Sadler 1-3, Kings 1-(minus 1), Cook 6-(minus 1), Team 1-(minus 2). Nebraska, Abdullah 22-123, Cross 3-50, Armstrong 5-9, T.Newby 1-3, Team 1-(minus 3).
PASSING—Michigan St., Cook 15-31-0-193, Lippett 0-1-0-0. Nebraska, Armstrong 9-21-1-143, Kellogg 8-11-0-67.
RECEIVING—Michigan St., Lippett 4-67, Langford 4-23, Kings 3-37, Fowler 2-29, Mumphery 1-27, Hill 1-10. Nebraska, Bell 7-81, Burtch 5-86, Allen 3-22, Abdullah 1-12, Carter 1-9.

MICHIGAN 27, NORTHWESTERN 19, 3OT

Michigan	3	0	0	6	7	3	8	—27
Northwestern	3	3	3	0	7	3	0	—19

First Quarter
Mich—FG Gibbons 25, 8:45.
NU—FG Budzien 40, 2:47.
Second Quarter
NU—FG Budzien 22, :00.
Third Quarter
NU—FG Budzien 29, 2:35.
Fourth Quarter
Mich—FG Gibbons 28, 11:45.
Mich—FG Gibbons 44, :00.
First Overtime
Mich—Butt 11 pass from Gardner (Gibbons kick).
NU—Colter 1 run (Budzien kick).
Second Overtime
NU—FG Budzien 36.
Mich—FG Gibbons 29.
Third Overtime
Mich—Gardner 5 run (Gardner run).
A—47,330.

	Mich	NU
First downs	26	18
Rushes-yards	45-137	48-141
Passing	200	163
Comp-Att-Int	27-46-0	20-31-1
Return Yards	2	11
Punts-Avg.	6-42.5	8-30.6
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	1-15	3-20
Time of Possession	29:38	30:22

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Michigan, Green 19-79, Smith 9-39, Gardner 17-19. Northwestern, Colter 19-78, Trumpy 10-40, Green 11-30, Long 1-2, Siemian 7-(minus 9).
PASSING—Michigan, Gardner 24-43-0-226, Richardson 3-3-0-(minus 26). Northwestern, Siemian 16-25-1-137, Colter 4-6-0-26.
RECEIVING—Michigan, Gallon 10-115, Funchess 7-61, Butt 3-20, Furman 2-(minus 19), Chesson 1-14, Dileo 1-6, Kerridge 1-6, Hayes 1-4, Smith 1-(minus 7). Northwestern, C.Jones 5-45, T.Jones 5-35, Lawrence 3-26, Trumpy 2-24, Dickerson 2-20, Colter 2-7, Vitale 1-6.

CENT. MICHIGAN 27, W. MICHIGAN 22

Cent. Michigan	14	0	13	0	— 27
W. Michigan	0	6	10	6	— 22

First Quarter
CMU—Tipton 10 run (Coluzzi kick), 11:12.
CMU—Tipton 1 run (Coluzzi kick), 5:22.
Second Quarter
WMU—FG Haldeman 24, 14:55.
WMU—FG Haldeman 33, 4:39.
Third Quarter
WMU—Chance 29 run (Haldeman kick), 9:55.
WMU—FG Haldeman 21, 7:37.
CMU—Kinville 3 pass from Rush (kick blocked), 1:25.
CMU—Annese 34 interception return (Coluzzi kick), 1:10.
Fourth Quarter
WMU—Fields 1 run (pass failed), 11:12.
A—22,071.

	CMU	WMU
First downs	16	17
Rushes-yards	37-118	35-164
Passing	167	147
Comp-Att-Int	16-25-3	14-36-1
Return Yards	38	18
Punts-Avg.	1-52.0	4-38.0
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-0
Penalties-Yards	3-30	5-50
Time of Possession	31:03	28:57

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Cent. Michigan, Tipton 29-114, Lavallii 3-11, Shoemaker-Gilmore 3-4, Team 1-(minus 3), Rush 1-(minus 8). W. Michigan, Chance 14-93, Fields 15-44, Terrell 6-27.
PASSING—Cent. Michigan, Rush 16-25-3-167. W. Michigan, Terrell 14-35-1-147, Duncan 0-1-0-0.
RECEIVING—Cent. Michigan, T.Davis 9-122, Fenton 2-24, Williams 2-14, Flory 2-4, Kinville 1-3. W. Michigan, Co.Davis 3-40, Roberts 3-25, Chance 2-45, Boyden 2-15, Schaffer 1-12, Mussman 1-6, Keith 1-4, Rodriguez 1-0.

BIG TEN CONFERENCE
Legends

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Michigan St.	6	0	153	51	9	1	309	132
Minnesota	4	2	140	154	8	2	307	234
Nebraska	4	2	150	97	7	3	351	246
Michigan	3	3	164	149	7	3	343	252
Iowa	3	3	125	119	6	4	266	187
Northwestern	0	6	87	139	4	6	271	261

Leaders

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Ohio St.	6	0	284	127	10	0	494	188
Wisconsin	5	1	235	91	8	2	385	140
Penn St.	3	3	160	209	6	4	293	267
Indiana	2	4	213	257	4	6	391	388
Illinois	0	6	141	273	3	7	302	372
Purdue	0	6	52	238	1	9	127	380

Saturday's Games
Wisconsin 51, Indiana 3
Ohio St. 60, Illinois 35
Penn St. 45, Purdue 21
Michigan St. 41, Nebraska 28
Michigan 27, Northwestern 19, 3 OT
Saturday, Nov. 23
Michigan at Iowa, TBA
Indiana at Ohio St., TBA
Nebraska at Penn St., TBA
Illinois at Purdue, TBA
Wisconsin at Minnesota, TBA
Michigan St. at Northwestern, TBA

MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Bowling Green	5	1	219	74	7	3	331	151
Buffalo	5	1	219	92	7	3	306	237
Ohio	3	3	166	152	6	4	272	253
Akron	3	4	115	180	4	7	211	314
Kent St.	2	5	154	183	3	8	205	310
UMass	1	5	89	178	1	9	117	308
Miami (Ohio)	0	6	61	172	010		96	329

West

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
N. Illinois	6	0	273	127	10	0	446	252
Ball St.	6	1	260	181	9	2	426	284
Toledo	5	1	243	150	7	3	350	277
Cent. Michigan	3	3	132	174	4	6	200	333
E. Michigan	1	5	133	295	2	8	205	442
W. Michigan	1	6	136	242	110		192	392

Tuesday's Games
Toledo 51, Buffalo 41
Bowling Green 49, Ohio 0
Wednesday's Games
Kent St. 24, Miami (Ohio) 6
N. Illinois 48, Ball St. 27
Saturday's Games
Cent. Michigan 27, W. Michigan 22
Akron 14, UMass 13
Tuesday, Nov. 19
Kent St. at Ohio, 8 p.m.
Buffalo at Miami (Ohio), 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 20
N. Illinois at Toledo, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 23
UMass at Cent. Michigan, 1 p.m.

Saturday's scores
EAST
Akron 14, UMass 13
Boston College 38, NC State 21
Bucknell 17, Georgetown 7
Cincinnati 52, Rutgers 17
Cornell 24, Columbia 9
Dartmouth 24, Brown 20
Duquesne 24, CCSU 21
Harvard 38, Penn 30
Lafayette 27, Fordham 14
Lehigh 31, Colgate 14
Maine 41, Rhode Island 0
Marist 33, Mercer 7
Monmouth (NJ) 21, Bryant 18
Navy 42, South Alabama 14
New Hampshire 37, Albany (NY) 20
North Carolina 34, Pittsburgh 27
Penn St. 45, Purdue 21
Princeton 59, Yale 23
Richmond 46, Delaware 43
Sacred Heart 42, Robert Morris 25
UCF 39, Temple 36
Wagner 10, St. Francis (Pa.) 7
SOUTH
Alabama A&M 50, Ark.-Pine Bluff 42
Alabama St. 19, MVSU 7
Alcorn St. 48, Jackson St. 33
Appalachian St. 33, Wofford 21
Auburn 43, Georgia 38
Bethune-Cookman 42, Hampton 12
Butler 58, Morehead St. 27
Cent. Arkansas 17, Nicholls St. 10
Coastal Carolina 46, Presbyterian 13
Delaware St. 29, Florida A&M 21
Duke 48, Miami 30
East Carolina 63, UAB 14
FAU 41, Southern Miss. 7
Florida St. 59, Syracuse 3
Furman 32, W. Carolina 20
Gardner-Webb 27, Charleston Southern 10
Georgia Southern 38, Elon 20
Jacksonville 45, Stetson 24
Liberty 59, Brevard 21
Louisiana-Lafayette 35, Georgia St. 21
Maryland 27, Virginia Tech 24, OT
Mississippi 51, Troy 21
NC A&T 41, Savannah St. 14
NC Central 24, Norfolk St. 13
Old Dominion 42, Campbell 14
SE Louisiana 34, Sam Houston St. 21
SE Missouri 36, Austin Peay 34
Samford 17, Chattanooga 14, OT
Southern U. 53, Clark Atlanta 0
Stony Brook 41, James Madison 38
Tennessee St. 17, Murray St. 10
The Citadel 31, VMI 10
Towson 15, William & Mary 9
UT-Martin 16, E. Kentucky 7
Vanderbilt 22, Kentucky 6
MIDWEST
Albion 34, Hope 31
Alma 31, Trine 13
Aurora 44, Rockford 7
Baker 38, Peru St. 13
Bemidji St. 35, Minot St. 14
Benedictine (Kan.) 38, Evangel 24
Bethel (Kan.) 26, Bethany (Kan.) 14
Bethel (Minn.) 28, St. John's (Minn.) 7
Bluffton 17, Defiance 10
Buena Vista 29, Dubuque 28
Capital 41, Wilmington (Ohio) 27
Carleton 49, Augsburg 45
Carroll (Wis.) 23, Illinois College 21
Cent. Michigan 27, W. Michigan 22
Central 21, Coe 7
Concordia (Ill.) 48, Maranatha Baptist 22
Concordia (Moor.) 38, Gustavus 31
Concordia (Neb.) 45, Briar Cliff 7
Concordia (Wis.) 58, Wis. Lutheran 31
Cornell (Iowa) 45, Grinnell 0
Culver-Stockton 20, Graceland (Iowa) 10
Dakota Wesleyan 27, Dordt 0
Dayton 45, Valparaiso 20
Denison 42, Kenyon 7
E. Illinois 52, Jacksonville St. 14
Emporia St. 34, Washburn 23
Ferris St. 35, N. Michigan 22
Findlay 49, Walsh 28
Franklin 59, Hanover 21
Friends 35, St. Mary (Kan.) 13
Grand Valley St. 49, Saginaw Valley St. 34
Heidelberg 42, Baldwin-Wallace 14
Hillsdale 24, Northwood (Mich.) 7
Illinois Wesleyan 24, Elmhurst 10
Indianapolis 21, Truman St. 14
Kalamazoo 39, Olivet 37
Kansas 31, West Virginia 19
Kansas St. 33, TCU 31
Lake Erie 50, Tiffin 32
Lake Forest 31, St. Norbert 3
Lakeland 15, Benedictine (Ill.) 12
Lincoln (Mo.) 51, SW Baptist 28
Macalester 7, Hamline 0
Manchester 42, Anderson (Ind.) 13
Mary 31, Minn.-Crookston 15
McPherson 37, Southwestern (Kan.) 7
Michigan 27, Northwestern 19, 3OT
Michigan St. 41, Nebraska 28
Michigan Tech 28, Wayne (Mich.) 21
Millikin 28, Carthage 21
Minn. Duluth 39, Northern St. (SD) 7
Minn. St.-Mankato 73, Upper Iowa 7
Missouri Southern 35, Pittsburg St. 21
Monmouth (Ill.) 37, Knox 10
Morningside 51, Doane 13
Mount Union 42, John Carroll 34
N. Dakota St. 35, Youngstown St. 17
N. Iowa 17, Missouri St. 10
NW Missouri St. 51, Missouri Western 21
Nebraska Wesleyan 43, Hastings 14
North Central (Ill.) 53, Augustana (Ill.) 14
Northwestern (Iowa) 55, Midland 27
Oberlin 47, Hiram 13
Ohio Dominican 40, Malone 13
Ohio Northern 42, Otterbein 21
Ohio St. 60, Illinois 35
Ripon 48, Lawrence 28
Robert Morris-Chicago 42, Concordia (Mich.) 2
Rose-Hulman 53, Earlham 15
S. Dakota St. 27, South Dakota 12
S. Illinois 24, Illinois St. 17
SW Minnesota St. 34, Augustana (SD) 24
Simpson (Iowa) 28, Luther 21
Sioux Falls 35, Wayne (Neb.) 10
St. Ambrose 80, Waldorf 20
St. Cloud St. 64, Minn. St.-Moorhead 27
St. Francis (Ind.) 41, Marian (Ind.) 24
St. Joseph's (Ind.) 37, William Jewell 31, OT
St. Thomas (Minn.) 45, St. Olaf 23
St. Xavier 34, Olivet Nazarene 7
Sterling 36, Kansas Wesleyan 19
Taylor 30, St. Francis (Ill.) 20
Thomas More 59, Mount St. Joseph 13
Urbana 24, Charleston (WV) 21
W. Illinois 21, Indiana St. 14
Wabash 38, DePauw 21
Washington (Mo.) 17, Chicago 7
Wheaton (Ill.) 58, North Park 0
William Penn 23, Trinity (Ill.) 18
Wisconsin 51, Indiana 3
Wittenberg 56, Allegheny 0
Wooster 28, Ohio Wesleyan 27
SOUTHWEST
Abilene Christian 65, Prairie View 45
Howard 40, Texas Southern 6
Oklahoma 48, Iowa St. 10
Oklahoma St. 38, Texas 13
SMU 38, UConn 21
FAR WEST
BYU 59, Idaho St. 13
Colorado 41, California 24
E. Washington 35, Cal Poly 22
Montana 42, Weber St. 6
N. Arizona 24, N. Colorado 7
Oregon 44, Utah 21
S. Utah 22, Montana St. 14
Sacramento St. 43, Portland St. 42
San Diego 23, Drake 13
Washington St. 24, Arizona 17

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Regional finals
Division 1
Clarkston 56, Rochester Adams 28
Detroit Cass Tech 32, Macomb Dakota 17
Flint Carman-Ainsworth 27, Hudsonville 20
Division 2
Birmingham Brother Rice 41, Detroit U-D Jesuit 14
Muskegon 24, Midland 7
Portage Central 42, Farmington Hills Harrison 21
Division 3
Zeeland West 62, Mount Pleasant 27
Division 4
Marine City 33, Detroit Country Day 28
Division 5
Grand Rapids West Catholic 35, Olivet 14
Menominee 49, Standish-Sterling 27
Muskegon Oakridge 31, Millington 12
Division 6
Clinton 47, Constantine 28
Ithaca 62, Negaunee 34
Shelby 33, Schoolcraft 7
Division 7
Harbor Beach 31, Pewamo-Westphalia 14
Ishpeming 28, Lake City 13
Division 8
Muskegon Catholic Central 28, Mendon 12
Eight-Player
State Semifinal
Rapid River 40, Kinde-North Huron 8

NFL

All Times EST
AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	2	0	.778	234	175
N.Y. Jets	5	4	0	.556	169	231
Miami	4	5	0	.444	193	209
Buffalo	3	7	0	.300	199	259
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	7	3	0	.700	252	220
Tennessee	4	6	0	.400	227	226
Houston	2	7	0	.222	170	248
Jacksonville	1	8	0	.111	115	291
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	6	4	0	.600	234	186
Cleveland	4	5	0	.444	172	197
Baltimore	4	5	0	.444	188	189
Pittsburgh	3	6	0	.333	179	218
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	9	0	0	1.000	215	111
Denver	8	1	0	.889	371	238
San Diego	4	5	0	.444	212	202
Oakland	3	6	0	.333	166	223

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	5	5	0	.500	274	258
Philadelphia	5	5	0	.500	252	244
N.Y. Giants	3	6	0	.333	165	243
Washington	3	6	0	.333	230	287
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	7	2	0	.778	265	163
Carolina	6	3	0	.667	214	115
Atlanta	2	7	0	.222	186	251
Tampa Bay	1	8	0	.111	146	209
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Detroit	6	3	0	.667	238	216
Chicago	5	4	0	.556	259	247
Green Bay	5	4	0	.556	245	212
Minnesota	2	7	0	.222	220	279
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	9	1	0	.900	265	159
San Francisco	6	3	0	.667	227	155
Arizona	5	4	0	.556	187	198
St. Louis	4	6	0	.400	224	234

Today's Games
Baltimore at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Oakland at Houston, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Washington at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Miami, 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Seattle, 4:25 p.m.
San Francisco at New Orleans, 4:25 p.m.
Green Bay at N.Y. Giants, 4:25 p.m.
Kansas City at Denver, 8:30 p.m.
Open: Dallas, St. Louis
Monday's Game
New England at Carolina, 8:40 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 21
New Orleans at Atlanta, 8:25 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 24
Minnesota at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Houston, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Chicago at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Detroit, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Miami, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Indianapolis at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Dallas at N.Y. Giants, 4:25 p.m.
Denver at New England, 8:30 p.m.
Open: Buffalo, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Seattle
Monday, Nov. 25
San Francisco at Washington, 8:40 p.m.

NBA

All Times EST
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	5	6	.455	—
Toronto	4	6	.400	½
Brooklyn	3	5	.375	½
Boston	4	7	.364	1
New York	3	6	.333	1
Southeast Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	7	3	.700	—
Atlanta	6	4	.600	1
Charlotte	5	5	.500	2
Orlando	4	6	.400	3
Washington	2	7	.222	4½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	9	1	.900	—
Chicago	5	3	.625	3
Detroit	3	5	.375	5
Cleveland	4	7	.364	5½
Milwaukee	2	6	.250	6

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	9	1	.900	—
Houston	6	4	.600	3
Dallas	6	4	.600	3
Memphis	4	5	.444	4½
New Orleans	4	6	.400	5
Northwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	7	2	.778	—
Minnesota	7	4	.636	1
Oklahoma City	5	3	.625	1½
Denver	4	4	.500	2½
Utah	1	9	.100	6½
Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	6	3	.667	—
Golden State	6	3	.667	—
Phoenix	5	4	.556	1
L.A. Lakers	4	7	.364	3
Sacramento	2	6	.250	3½

Friday's Games
Indiana 104, Milwaukee 77
Chicago 96, Toronto 80
Portland 109, Boston 96
Charlotte 86, Cleveland 80
Miami 110, Dallas 104
Atlanta 113, Philadelphia 103
Denver 117, Minnesota 113
Brooklyn 100, Phoenix 98, OT
San Antonio 91, Utah 82
Memphis 89, L.A. Lakers 86
Detroit 97, Sacramento 90
Saturday's Games
Dallas 108, Orlando 100
Cleveland 103, Washington 96, OT
Miami 97, Charlotte 81
Atlanta 110, New York 90
Chicago 110, Indiana 94
Minnesota 106, Boston 88
New Orleans 135, Philadelphia 98
Denver at Houston
Oklahoma City at Milwaukee
Utah at Golden State
Brooklyn at L.A. Clippers
Today's Games
Portland at Toronto, 1 p.m.
Memphis at Sacramento, 6 p.m.
Detroit at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

BULLS 110, PACERS 94

INDIANA (94)
George 3-14 6-6 12, West 6-16 1-1 13, Hibbert 5-10 4-7 14, G.Hill 3-7 4-5 11, Stephenson 5-14 2-2 12, S.Hill 0-1 0-0 0, Scola 4-8 0-0 8, Watson 1-6 0-0 2, Johnson 3-4 3-3 9, Mahinmi 0-0 0-2 0, Copeland 4-5 2-2 13, R.Butler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-85 22-28 94.
CHICAGO (110)
Deng 8-14 6-7 23, Boozer 6-11 1-2 13, Noah 1-6 2-4 4, Rose 7-16 0-0 20, J.Butler 2-3 5-6 10, Hinrich 4-10 4-4 13, Gibson 7-13 1-1 15, Dunleavy 4-5 0-0 10, Mohammed 1-1 0-0 2, Snell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-79 19-24 110.

Indiana	20	15	24	35	— 94
Chicago	31	29	24	26	— 110

3-Point Goals—Indiana 4-16 (Copeland 3-4, G.Hill 1-2, Watson 0-1, Johnson 0-1, S.Hill 0-1, George 0-3, Stephenson 0-4), Chicago 11-19 (Rose 6-11, Dunleavy 2-2, J.Butler 1-1, Deng 1-2, Hinrich 1-3). Fouled Out—Noah. Rebounds—Indiana 50 (Hibbert 10), Chicago 51 (Gibson 8). Assists—Indiana 16 (G.Hill 5), Chicago 25 (Hinrich 8). Total Fouls—Indiana 19, Chicago 24. Technicals—Copeland, Boozer, Hinrich, Chicago defensive three second. Ejected—Copeland, Boozer. A—22,158 (20,917).

BOWLING

LAKESHORE LANES
DAVE DRESSE MEMORIAL — Gene Tidey 792 (279), Dennis Weatherman 759 (300), Bob Utter 735 (257), Bob Forsythe 732 (268), Ron Clark 718 (267), Bill Rath 717 (259), Jerry Knowles 711 (259), Chuck Ward 705 (263), Eric Moore 703 (255), Rick Plangger 701 (255). B&L Rentals 3424 (1227).

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

OWENS 74, LMC WOMEN 71

LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE (71)
DeYahnna Styles 6 5-10 17, Sabrina Trujillo 5 2-4 15, LaCorsica Metts 2 0-2 4, Kaitlyn Smith 2 3-4 7, Lexi Hobbs 8 5-8 22, Nicole Decker 1 0-0 2, Sarah Huffman 2 0-0 4. Totals: 26 15-28 71.
OWENS COMMUNITY COLLEGE (74)
Maura Hackney 4 0-1 8, Ashley Tunstall 3 3-4 9, Paige Wright 3 3-4 10, Kamillah Carter 7 4-6 21, Eboni Adams 6 0-0 13, Kheri Motley 3 0-5 6, LaKayra Carlisle 1 0-0 2, Alyssa Lassey 2 1-2 5. Totals: 29 11-22 74.
Halftime — Owens 38-31. 3-point goals — LMC 4 (Tiujillo 3, Hobbs), Owens 5 (Wright, Carter 3, Adams). Total fouls — LMC 20, Owens 23. Fouled out — Smith (L), Adams (O). Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — LMC 43 (Hobbs 13, Metts 9), Owens 47. Assists — Styles (L) 4. Steals — Styles (L) 2.
Records — LMC 2-1, Owens 5-1.

OWENS 87, LMC MEN 69

LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE (69)
Terrell Clinton 1 0-0 2, T.J. Scott 5 2-2 12, Ken Coates 9 4-6 23, Loren Johnson 7 2-5 16, Roy Napier 3 2-2 8, JaWuan Thompson 1 2-2 4, Cameron Reeves 1 2-2 4. Totals: 27 14-19 69.
OWENS COMMUNITY COLLEGE (87)
DeVondre Peoples 2 0-0 5, Andy Bachman 4 0-0 11, Bikramjit Gill 3 2-2 8, Shaakir Lindsey 5 2-2 13, Tony Boykins 4 5-9 13, Markese Allen 2 0-0 5, Edmond Early 2 0-0 6, Martez Asberry 2 1-2 6, John Murry 2 7-11 11, Kenny Jones 4 1-1 9. Totals: 30 18-27 87.
Halftime — Owens 51-31. 3-point goals — LMC 1 (Coates), Owens 9 (Bachman 3, Early 2, Peoples, Lindsey, Allen, Asberry). Total fouls — LMC 21, Owens 20. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — LMC 40 (Clinton 6, Napier 6), Owens 39 (Jones 9). Assists — LMC 15 (Coates 6), Owens 16 (Early 5).
Records — LMC 2-2.

Monday's men's scores
EAST
Brown 85, Sacred Heart 73
Bryant 87, Vermont 64
Bucknell 72, St. Francis (Pa.) 50
Buffalo 80, WV Wesleyan 60
Creighton 83, Saint Joseph's 79
George Washington 80, Manhattan 74
Iona 76, Wofford 55
La Salle 78, Siena 74
Penn St. 83, Penn 71
Providence 93, Marist 48
St. Bonaventure 86, Canisius 64
Syracuse 69, Colgate 50
SOUTH
Chattanooga 108, Montreat 51
FIU 70, Texas Southern 68
Florida 86, UALR 56
George Mason 76, N. Iowa 70
LSU 88, Northwestern St. 74
Mercer 77, Seton Hall 74, 2OT
Middle Tennessee 80, Akron 73
Minnesota 74, Richmond 59
Mississippi 72, Coastal Carolina 70
NC State 81, Campbell 66
San Diego 75, N. Kentucky 44
Southern U. 87, North Florida 78
Tennessee 74, SC-Upstate 65
Tulane 65, Loyola of Chicago 59
UNC Wilmington 80, Wingate 61
VCU 92, Winthrop 71
Virginia 70, Davidson 57
W. Carolina 68, Liberty 63
MIDWEST
Cincinnati 77, Appalachian St. 49
Dayton 78, St. Francis (NY) 58
DePaul 81, Wright St. 72
E. Illinois 86, Ill.-Chicago 66
Milwaukee 77, James Madison 66
Missouri 92, Hawaii 80
Ohio St. 52, Marquette 35
Pepperdine 88, Cent. Michigan 71
SE Missouri 76, IUPUI 68
Wichita St. 85, Tennessee St. 71
SOUTHWEST
IPFW 66, Texas-Pan American 60
Oral Roberts 82, Texas St. 65
Tennessee Tech 62, Texas A&M-CC 60
FAR WEST
Colorado 94, Jackson St. 70
Colorado St. 88, Weber St. 67
UC Riverside 72, Montana St. 67
Wyoming 85, Arkansas St. 64

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	19	14	5	0	28	61	44
Boston	19	12	6	1	25	53	36
Toronto	20	12	7	1	25	57	47
Detroit	21	9	5	7	25	54	60
Montreal	21	10	9	2	22	52	45
Ottawa	19	8	7	4	20	57	58
Florida	20	4	12	4	12	42	69
Buffalo	22	5	16	1	11	41	68
Metropolitan Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	20	12	8	0	24	56	47
Washington	20	11	8	1	23	65	58
N.Y. Rangers	19	10	9	0	20	42	49
Carolina	19	8	7	4	20	37	51
New Jersey	20	7	8	5	19	42	49
N.Y. Islanders	21	8	10	3	19	61	68
Philadelphia	19	7	10	2	16	35	48
Columbus	19	6	10	3	15	48	56

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	19	13	2	4	30	71	53
Colorado	18	14	4	0	28	58	37
Minnesota	20	12	4	4	28	53	43
St. Louis	17	12	2	3	27	61	40
Dallas	19	10	7	2	22	56	55
Winnipeg	21	10	9	2	22	56	59
Nashville	19	8	9	2	18	39	61
Pacific Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Anaheim	22	15	5	2	32	71	56
San Jose	20	13	2	5	31	71	45
Phoenix	20	13	4	3	29	67	63
Los Angeles	20	13	6	1	27	57	46
Vancouver	21	11	7	3	25	55	56
Calgary	19	6	10	3	15	52	71
Edmonton	21	4	15	2	10	49	81

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Friday's Games
Carolina 3, Anaheim 2, SO
Montreal 3, Columbus 2, SO
Washington 4, Detroit 3, SO
Winnipeg 3, Philadelphia 2, SO
Buffalo 3, Toronto 1
Los Angeles 2, New Jersey 0
Pittsburgh 4, Nashville 1
Ottawa 4, Boston 2
Minnesota 3, Florida 2
San Jose 3, Edmonton 1
Saturday's Games
N.Y. Islanders 5, Detroit 4, SO
Toronto 4, Buffalo 2
N.Y. Rangers 1, Montreal 0
New Jersey 4, Pittsburgh 1
Carolina at St. Louis
Chicago at Nashville
Tampa Bay at Phoenix
Florida at Colorado
Edmonton at Calgary
Today's Games
Columbus at Ottawa, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at Washington, 6 p.m.
Los Angeles at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
San Jose at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Winnipeg at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Dallas at

Don Campbell / HP staff

Lakeshore's football team celebrates its 34-7 Division 3 regional championship win over Byron Center on Saturday.

LANCERS

▶ From page C1

11 and 1 yard out in the third quarter to put the game away. Nine different Lancers lugged the ball, as Zach Drake gained 51 yards, Gabe Gembala 50, and Jake Achterberg 40 including second quarter TD runs of 1 and 6 yards. Phil Dudeck opened the scoring for Lakeshore with a 2-yard burst in the first period.

Byron Center's only score came seconds before halftime when Jake Bylsma hit Coby Babbs on a 14-yard scoring strike that cut the Lakeshore lead to 20-7.

"Our backs were up against the wall," said Adams. "But this is nothing new for us. It's been must-win for seven weeks now. We're a family and we stick together."

Lakeshore's defense held the Bulldogs' running attack to just 67 yards, as Dustin Clapp and Achterberg led the Lancers with eight tackles each. Andrew Brand added seven, Brad Newman six and Gunner Harrison and Eric Schmidt five apiece.

Harrison, who broke his fibula in the second game of the season, rejoined the team for the district championship victory over St. Joseph last week.

"It's incredible," said Harrison, also an outstanding wrestler. "I feel blessed that I've had another opportunity to play. I never though I'd be back."

Lakeshore 34, Byron Center 7

Byron Center	**0**	**7**	**0**	**0**	**— 7**
Lakeshore	**7**	**13**	**14**	**0**	**— 34**

First Quarter

L — Phil Dudeck 2 run (Chayse Magrane kick)

Second Quarter

L — Jake Achterberg 1 run (kick failed)
L — Achterberg 6 run (Magrane kick)
BC — Coby Babbs 14 pss from Jake Bylsma (Hunter DeWindt kick)

Third Quarter

L — Mike Adams 11 run (Magrane kick)
L — Adams 1 run (Magrane kick)

	BC	L
First downs	11	24
Total net yards	160	372
Rushes-yards	30-67	62-339
Passing	93	33
Comp-Att-Int	10-22-2	3-6-0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-yards	6-40	5-37

Rushing — BC: Jarod Rodgers 7-34; Lakeshore: Adams 17-111, Gabe Gembala 13-50, Zach Drake 10-51, Jake Achterberg 9-40, Sam Effa 6-37, Phil Dudeck 3-17.
Passing — BC: Bylsma 10-22-2-93; Lakeshore: Adams 3-6-0-33.
Receiving — BC: Quinn Humphrey 2-34, Coby Babbs 4-25; Lakeshore: Drake 2-20, Brock Emery 1-13. Records — Lakeshore 9-3, Byron Center 8-4.

Don Campbell / HP staff

Lakeshore's Phillip Dudeck breaks away from Byron Center's Travis Baker and scores during the first half of Saturday's game.

Don Campbell / HP staff

Lakeshore's Gabe Gembala pushes past Byron Center's Zach Teitsma during the first half of Saturday's game.

COLLEGE NOTES

▶ From page C1

Grand Valley is 8-2 on the season.

Sheffer doing well for WMU volleyball

Watervliet graduate Rachel Sheffer has appeared in all 27 matches this season for the Western Michigan volleyball team, making 21 starts.

Sheffer is second on the team in kills with 267, helping the Broncos to a 16-11 record.

Sheffer spent the past four years playing basketball at the University of Michigan, scoring 1,197 career points.

She graduated with a degree in sociology, and is playing volleyball for one year at Western Michigan while studying for a masters degree in sports management.

May playing for St. Augustine's

Covert graduate Amere May is on the men's basketball team at St. Augustine's University in Raleigh, N.C., an NCAA Division II school.

May, a junior, had 24 points and 12 rebounds in his first game with the Falcons, a 108-88 victory over Morris College.

May averaged six points per game for Delaware State last season.

Peirce earns honorable mention at Hillsdale

St. Joseph graduate Lindsay Peirce finished her freshman season on the Hillsdale College tennis team with an 11-5 singles record. The Chargers finished sixth in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Peirce was named honorable mention All-GLIAC.

Local runners faring well in college

Several St. Joseph graduates have had success running cross country in college this season.

Sam Felton, a senior at Detroit Mercy, helped the Titans win the Horizon League meet, finishing 27th with a time of 26:56 in the eight-kilometer race.

Joseph Beemer, a sophomore at Hope College, placed 12th in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association meet with a time of 26:07. The Flying Dutchmen finished second as a team.

Nick Whise of Aquinas College finished 80th at the NAIA Great Lakes Challenge with a time of 26:45. Aquinas placed third as a team.

Bridgman graduate Cam Magro also competed in the event for Davenport College, finishing 84th in 26:57.

College Notes appears monthly in The Herald-Palladium. Submit information to sports@TheHP.com.

Decatur falls in regional final

By HP STAFF

HOMER — Decatur's football team fell behind early and couldn't recover, falling to Homer 26-15 in a Division 7 regional championship game Saturday.

Matthew Botti threw for two touchdowns and had nine tackles to lead Decatur (8-4), which trailed Homer (11-1) 13-0 after a quarter of play. Homer scored the game's first points on a Tyler Mosher blocked punt recovery for a touchdown.

Homer outgained Decatur by just a yard, 233-232.

"I thought we did some things well but they executed on drives when they needed to and that was the difference in the game," said Decatur coach Joe Groh.

Botti was 13-for-25 passing for 150 yards and the two TDs.

Cody Huston and Dakotah Haas caught the two scores from Botti.

Jason Nash had 10 tackles for the Raiders. Haas had 75 yards receiving for Decatur. Botti was the leading rusher with 49 yards on 11 carries.

Decatur	**0**	**7**	**0**	**8**	**— 15**
Homer	**13**	**0**	**10**	**3**	**— 26**

First quarter

H — Tyler Mosher blocked punt recovery (kick failed)
H — Dylan Thomas 9 pass from Alex White (White kick)

Second quarter

D — Cody Huston 9 pass from Matthew Botti (Huston kick)

Third quarter

H — Thomas 24 pass from White (White kick)
H — White 22 field goal

Fourth quarter

D — Dakotah Haas 6 pass from Botti (Hunter Bell pass from Botti)
H — White 22 field goal

	D	H
First downs	11	14
Total net yards	232	233
Rushes-yards	26-82	34-152
Passing	150	81
Comp-Att-Int	13-25-0	9-22-2
Fumbles-lost	5-3	3-2
Penalties-yards	7-100	5-30

Rushing — Decatur: Botti 11-49. Homer: Chaz Hopkins 23-96.
Passing — Decatur: Botti 13-25-150-2. Homer: White 9-22-81-2
Receiving — Decatur: Haas 7-75.
Tackles — Decatur: Jason Nash 10, Botti 9.

8-player semifinals

Peck 73, Lawrence 34

Lawrence fell to Peck in an 8-player semifinal game on Saturday.

Complete results were unavailable.

LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

Benton Harbor baseball

▶ Benton Harbor Baseball Benefit Dinner and Formal Fall Ball, Nov. 29 at The Citadel in Benton Harbor. Doors open at 4 p.m., dinner at 5 p.m. Former Negro League player Reginald Howard will speak at 6 p.m., and the formal fall ball begins at 8 p.m.

There will also be a Walk/Run TIGERthon beginning at 10 a.m. Nov. 30 at Union Park and ending at the Benton Harbor High School baseball field. Donations are needed for both events. For more information or to donate, contact Danny Jennings at (901) 338-2153.

YMCA League Ball

▶ The Benton Harbor-St. Joseph YMCA Basketball League for grades 3-12 runs Jan. 19-Feb. 23. Teams practice one day a week and have games on Saturdays. Practices start Dec. 28. Cost is $45 for YMCA members, $70 for non-members. For more information, go online to www.bhsjymca.org or call 428-YMCA.

Lakeshore youth wrestling

▶ Lakeshore Wrestling Club will be have registration and its first practice for the 2013-2014 youth wrestling season from 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Lakeshore High School gym balcony/wrestling room.

Please arrive by 5:45 p.m. to to register and be ready to go at 6 p.m. Lakeshore Wrestling Club is open to all youth ages 5 and up. A parent must stay at practices for wrestlers 8 and under. Practices are held on from 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Cost is $60

The local sports calendar appears twice weekly in The Herald-Palladium. Submit items for the local sports calendar to sports@TheHP.com or fax to 429-4392.

Nam Y. Huh / AP

Chicago wide receiver Alshon Jeffery (17) trips over Detroit safety Louis Delmas (left) after making a reception during the first half of last Sunday's game.

Delmas' revenge

Lions safety wants another crack at Steelers' Brown

By CARLOS MONARREZ
Detroit Free Press

DETROIT — Louis Delmas still has a hard time believing it.

When the Lions safety was in college at Western Michigan he finally got a chance to put a hit on his good friend Antonio Brown.

The Pittsburgh Steelers receiver played for Central Michigan and finally the two buddies from Miami were going to go against each other.

Delmas was the Broncos' star who was about to be drafted in the second round. Brown was still trying to make a name for himself.

Delmas will never forget the monster hit he laid on Brown. But he still can't believe Brown's reaction as he eagerly anticipates a rematch today at Heinz Field.

"He caught a bubble screen," Delmas said. "I ran down field and I hit him. Bam!

"He got up and he told me, 'Thank you.' I'm like, I just smacked the mess out of this kid. He said, 'Thank you for getting me TV exposure,' because I knocked his helmet off."

Brown laughed at the memory of thanking Delmas.

"I did," he said in a phone interview Friday with the Free Press. "He's always been known for big hits and he got me. He said he was going to get me and he got me.

"I just told him, 'Good job and thanks.' He woke me up."

Brown and Delmas grew up 15 minutes from each other in Miami's hardscrabble neighborhoods that have served as the cradle of numerous NFL careers. Delmas got to know Brown in high school during what turned out to be a literally hard-fought game between Delmas' North Miami Beach team and Brown's Norland High squad.

"And then me and him really got close after my last high school game to go to the playoffs," Delmas said. "And they beat us. And (the teams) got in a big old fight and whatever. And we always kept in contact."

Actually, it has been a lot more than just contact. It's been more of a lifeline.

Brown didn't take the most direct route to the NFL. There were plenty of bumps and potholes along the way. But at every turn, at every roadblock, at every detour, Delmas was there to offer Brown some direction.

Brown didn't have the required SAT scores to attend Alcorn State, so he spent one prep year playing quarterback for North Carolina Tech.

"And then I talked to him prior to him going to Central Michigan," Delmas said. "I was telling him, 'This is a good school for you,' and giving him advice. He ended up going there as a walk-on and the next year he got a scholarship."

Brown actually picked up a scholarship with the Chippewas his first summer and was Mid-American freshman of the year in 2007. He played two more seasons, then solicited Delmas' advice again.

"He's meant a lot, man," Brown said of Delmas. "A guy I've got tremendous respect for, a guy I look up to a lot.

"He actually helped me make my decision leaving college early. He's one of the guys, the mentors, I called upon and talked with about my decision. He helped out with my agent representation.

"He's always been there for me, always honest and somebody who's been there for me as a friend and I really appreciate."

The Steelers made Brown a sixth-round pick who had to bide his time mostly on special teams as a rookie. More difficulty meant more advice from Delmas.

"It's crazy," Delmas said, "because when he first got to the NFL, he used to call me every day saying, 'Damn, Lou. Man, they don't want to give me a chance. I don't know if I'm going to make it here.'

"Next thing you know, he got his start on special teams and the next thing you know he's playing and having one of his better seasons."

With Mike Wallace gone to Miami, Brown has taken over as Pittsburgh's No. 1 receiver and he's certainly played like it.

He has proven a versatile weapon and is fifth in the NFL with 805 receiving yards. Brown also ranks fifth in the NFL with a 13.7-yard punt return average.

Lions face desperate Steelers

By WILL GRAVES
AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH — Reggie Bush wouldn't use the word "unstoppable" to describe the Detroit offense, even if few teams in the NFL have the dynamic options at quarterback Matthew Stafford's disposal.

All-everything wide receiver Calvin Johnson emerging as the finest pass catcher of his generation. Bush in the backfield showing the speed and creativity that made him so dangerous in college nearly a decade ago. The breakout performance of rookie tight end Joseph Fauria and the steady hand of veteran Brandon Pettigrew.

All of whom work at the pleasure of Stafford, who appears to be morphing from big-armed talent into one of the league's elite.

Good, yes. Unstoppable? Not really. At least, not yet.

"I would say we're pretty tough to match up against," Bush allowed.

And that's been more than enough this season for teams who play the erratic Pittsburgh Steelers (3-6), who still believe they can chase down AFC North leading Cincinnati if they can somehow develop the consistency that has eluded them throughout the fall.

"We realize that the mistakes that we made early on in the season has put us in this hole, but they are just what they were, mistakes," wide receiver Jerricho Cotchery said. "We've worked to correct those mistakes and hopefully that translates into the wins that we need to be able to make it into the playoffs. The guys feel like we can do it. That's the belief we have in this locker room."

It's a belief that can be crushed if Megatron gets loose.

The days when Stafford would just cock his arm and heave it are over. Now in his fifth season, the 25-year-old Stafford has become one of the most efficient quarterbacks in the league.

He's taken just 10 sacks despite averaging over 40 pass attempts a game, thrown only seven interceptions and displayed a flair for the dramatic.

As impressive as his last-second dive over the top against the Dallas Cowboys was last month, perhaps a bigger sign of his maturity came on the nine-play, 74-yard drive Stafford led in the fourth quarter at Chicago last week. The score turned a slim one-point lead into an eight-point cushion with a perfect 14-yard strike to Johnson.

"He makes good and fast decisions," Steelers coach Mike Tomlin said. "He puts balls in places for guys to make plays."

The Steelers have started to gain momentum offensively behind the rise of rookie running back Le'Veon Bell, yet that hasn't translated to touchdowns. Pittsburgh has scored four touchdowns in its three wins and kicked 11 field goals.

It's a ratio that needs to change for the NFL's 28th-ranked red zone offense. Less than half (45 percent) of the Steelers' red zone possessions end with six points.

"I think when we get down there we need to keep staying aggressive and not get too conservative and bring in extra lineman," Pittsburgh quarterback Ben Roethlisberger said. "We have great weapons."

The Lions have been competitive at home for years no matter how bad things have been — except perhaps in their winless 2008. This year, they've found a way to take that act on the road.

Detroit already has victories at Washington, Cleveland and Chicago.

"It takes a full team to win on the road," Stafford said. "They're not often pretty wins, not often do you go in to somebody else's place and just put a whooping on them."

Bears counting on Bowman at cornerback

CHICAGO — Looking to stay above .500 and in the thick of the NFC North race, the Bears are host to the 4-5 Ravens today at Soldier Field. With kickoff closing in, here's our snapshot look at the game.

Player in the spotlight

With Charles Tillman sidelined for the rest of 2013 with a torn right triceps, Zack Bowman moves back into the starting lineup at cornerback, where he played for Tillman in Week 6 and contributed an early interception to a 27-21 Bears victory over the Giants.

He has 17 career starts - though a dozen came in 2009 before Bowman slipped into a niche as a core special teams contributor.

Still, the Bears believe Bowman's experience and intelligence can mitigate a dropoff at the position.

"He's not going to tell you he's Charles Tillman and we're not going to tell you that either," coach Marc Trestman said. "But Zack's a good football player and I'm sure be at his best. That's where we are."

Most pressing question

Just how good can Josh McCown be?

McCown believers will point to his 103.2 rating in three appearances this season. (That's better than Jay Cutler's 88.4 mark.) They also will remind you he has been on the field for 18 drives since halftime of the Redskins game, leading to 10 scores producing 57 points against only five punts.

McCown also has yet to turn the ball over and has been sacked only three times. And he proved he can be a winner when he aided the Bears' 27-20 upset of the Packers on the road.

Still, those still hesitant to jump on the McCown bandwagon readily point out the Redskins defense he shredded was mediocre at best; the Packers were without outside linebacker Clay Matthews; and the Lions were scrambling in a two-minute drill during last weekend's McCown magic act in the fourth quarter.

Here Sunday to add evidence to the debate: a Ravens defense that ranks third in the NFL with 32 sacks and 10th against the run.

In other words, slow down the forecasts on McCown's future viability as an every week NFL starter until we have a bigger sample size. The quarterback himself hasn't spent a second looking ahead.

Keep an eye on ...

Tight end Martellus Bennett has seen his receiving production slip recently, catching just nine of the 17 balls thrown his way over the last three games. Bennett has 72 receiving yards over that span, a noticeable dip after he delivered 20 catches, 225 yards and three touchdowns in September.

It's worth wondering if Bennett's spirits will sour if that receiving production doesn't spike soon. With an ankle injury slowing him this week, Bennett quipped he's not certain the offense would even notice if he wasn't out there to aid the passing attack.

"Those other guys are the ones making all the plays," he said. "I just kind of clean up. They eat their dinner. I just come and try to get the leftovers. So I don't know if they'll miss me in that category. I only catch like two balls a game. Nothing special."

Furthermore, against the Ravens, the Bears may need Bennett more in pass protection than as a receiver.

Injuries and fines

Tough week for Tillman, who finds his way into this week's docket in both categories. Not only will that triceps injury sideline him for the remainder of 2013, but he also received a fine notice from the league office for his face-mask foul against Calvin Johnson from Sunday's fourth quarter. Tillman was hit with a $7,875 penalty for that infraction but was not fined for his horse collar tackle on Reggie Bush.

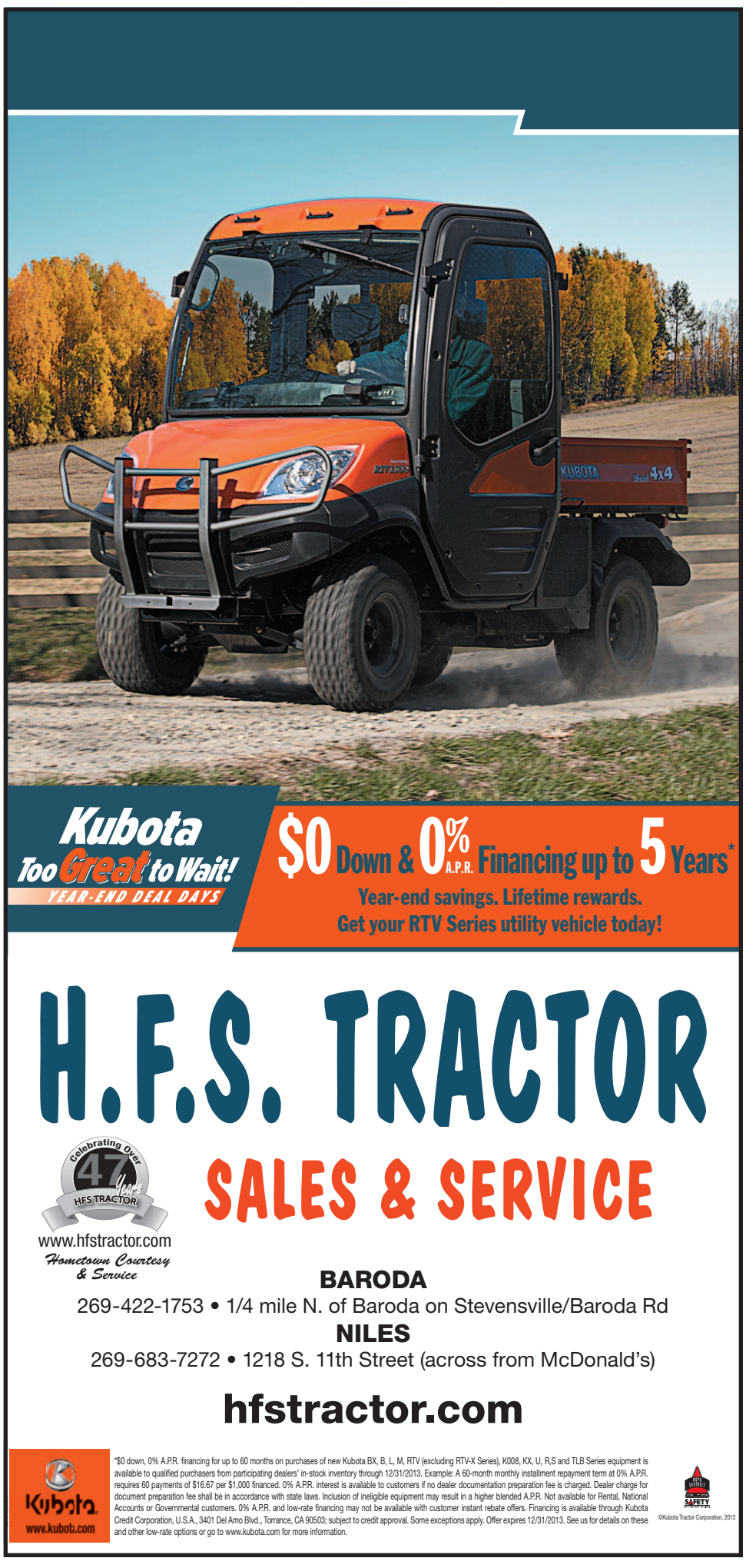
On the injury report, six Bears starters are listed: linebacker Lance Briggs (shoulder) and quarterback Jay Cutler (ankle) are out. Defensive end Shea McClellin (hamstring) and long snapper Patrick Mannelly are doubtful. Bennett is questionable. And right tackle Jordan Mills (quadriceps) is probable.

Bears add Ozougwu to active roster, waive Grant

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (AP) — The Chicago Bears have elevated defensive end Cheta Ozougwu to the active roster from the practice squad and waived linebacker Larry Grant.

The moves were announced on Saturday.

Ozougwu had been on Chicago's practice squad since Sept. 24. He appeared in two games for the Bears last season. Grant appeared in two games this season.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Life lessons from the Drumstick Dash

Lori Borgman

The Drumstick Dash is a 5K Thanksgiving morning run/walk in which thousands of slightly deranged people brave the bitter cold and nearly freeze to death thereby demonstrating solidarity with the Pilgrims. All I really needed to know, I learned in the Drumstick Dash:

People are more jovial when their heads are stuffed into plush turkey cavities, with artificial wings flapping beside their ears and two large furry drumsticks jutting into the air.

If everyone else wore artificial turkeys on their heads, you might want to, too.

People drag themselves from bed, then force their sleepy bodies into the freezing cold to run and walk on Thanksgiving morning so that they can stuff themselves guilt free the rest of the day.

If you miscalculate as to where you place yourself in a crowd of runners and walkers, you may wind up running with a fast crowd.

The euphoria of mistakenly being caught up in a fast crowd – people who wear tank tops in 32-degree weather, do not huff and puff when they run as though their lungs are on fire and pad softly instead of thunder with their feet – can lead to serious delusions.

Never believe that you can run an entire 5K when you have not adequately trained for a 5K.

Once you start running with a fast crowd, it is nearly impossible to get out of a fast crowd.

If you attempt to slow your pace in a fast crowd, others, maybe even your 20-something daughter who has never felt a quake or pain in her youthful body, may yell embarrassing things at you like, "Don't slow down. Look behind you! If you slow down now, you will be killed. Keep running!"

When you run with a fast crowd, there is the real possibility that you will become the filling in a very flat Thanksgiving Day panini with Nike-tread imprint.

If you again attempt to slow your pace and separate from a fast crowd, the same beloved daughter may yell, "RUN, FORREST, RUN!"

You can always get even with your children later.

If you face the prospect of expiring on Thanksgiving, steel yourself to do it after the stuffing, mashed potatoes, hot rolls and pumpkin pie, not before.

It is humiliating to approach the finish line and nearly be passed by a 7-year-old.

You can easily distract a 7-year-old at holiday time by yelling, "Look, over there – it's Santa handing out candy!"

Two hours after completing a 5K you did not adequately train for, every muscle in your body will contract so severely that you will not be able to do "Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes." You may be able to do the head and shoulders part, in which case you can dull the pain by lifting your fork to your mouth.

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Scarlett Lewis, the mother of Jesse Lewis, the Sandy Hook first grader shot and killed by Adam Lanza after telling his classmates to run, has written a book. Lewis sits in her Newtown, Conn., home where a painting of her with Jesse and her older son, J.T., hangs in the living room.

NURTURING, HEALING, LOVE

Book by Sandy Hook victim's mother offers lesson in love

By DAVE ALTIMARI
The Hartford Courant

HARTFORD, Conn. - Sometime before Dec. 14, 6-year-old Jesse Lewis wrote three words on a chalkboard in his family's Newtown, Conn., kitchen.

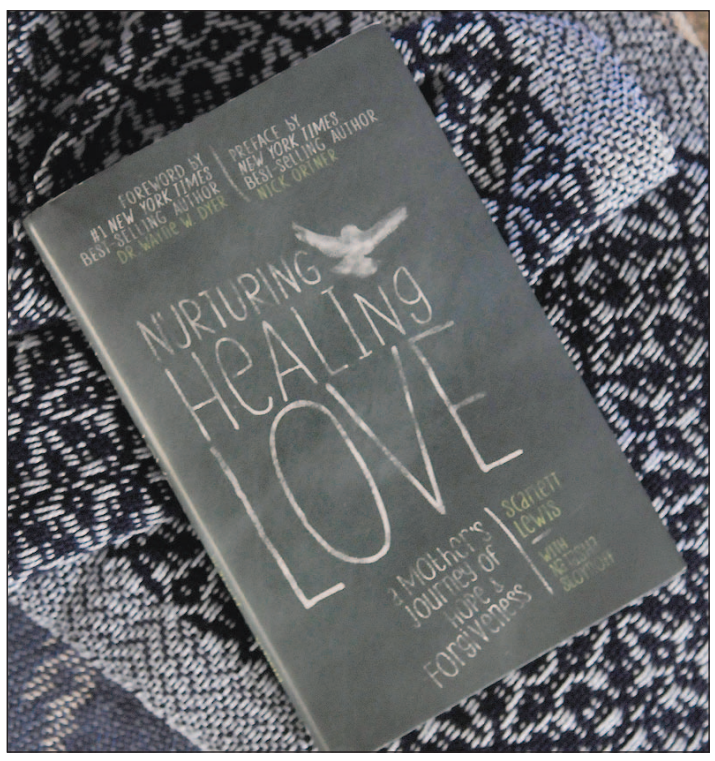
"Norturing, helin, love."

Not long afterward, Jesse was one of 20 first-graders gunned down at Sandy Hook Elementary School. His effort to save his classmates, yelling for them to run while shooter Adam Lanza's gun briefly jammed, has received wide attention. Six of those classmates escaped, seconds before Jesse was shot.

Now, his mother has written a book about the words Jesse left behind – a message now guiding her life.

Scarlett Lewis titled the book "Nurturing, Healing, Love." It chronicles the life of a Sandy Hook parent in the months after the massacre.

It is also the first book by any family member of a victim of the shooting, which also claimed the lives of six women. All proceeds will go to the charity the author set up in her son's honor, the Jesse Lewis Choose Love Foundation.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"Nurturing, Healing, Love," written by Scarlett Lewis in the aftermath of the Sandy Hook shooting. Her son, Jesse, was among the victims.

"Nurturing, Healing, Love," which went on sale recently, includes passages about Jesse's last few minutes of life and the brutal way he died. But it does not dwell on it, Scarlett Lewis said.

"It's my journey of trying to turn an unspeakable tragedy into something that will make the world a better place," she said.

After her son was killed, Lewis did not return home for several weeks. She and her older son, J.T., stayed at her mother's house. A few weeks after Dec. 14, she came home and noticed Jesse's message on the chalkboard.

"He had to have written that a few days before he died. Those are not words that are in a first-grader's vocabulary," Lewis said. "I feel he was sending us a message of comfort as well as inspiration on how to live our lives with him gone."

She believes there were other signs from her son as well. Like the day a state trooper brought home a box of Jesse's possessions from his desk at school. On top was a pencil drawing that appears to be a small angel standing in front of a giant figure dressed in black with a big head.

"All of Jesse's other drawings were of 'Star Wars' or police cars, yet here was this picture of what is clearly a bad man with a child angel standing in front of him," Lewis said.

Jesse loved "Star Wars," as well as toy soldiers and playing soccer. Lewis said on many nights she would read to him until he fell asleep.

On the morning of Dec. 14, Jesse was going to get dropped off at school by his father, Neil Heslin, who had come to pick Jesse up to take him for hot chocolate before school.

While he waited outside, Jesse wrote the words "I Love You" in the frost on his mother's car. His mom said she ran back into the house to get her phone to take a picture.

"He drew all these little hearts around the words," Lewis said. "It was so cute that I wanted to take his picture before he left."

Lewis, who has previously

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Protecting our passwords, and our sanity

By KATIE HUMPHREY
Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

Start counting.

How many passwords do you have?

Rajean Moone of Minneapolis has so many – more than 75 – that he tracks most of them on a super-secret spreadsheet. Others he scribbles on hidden Post-It notes – coded in a foreign language.

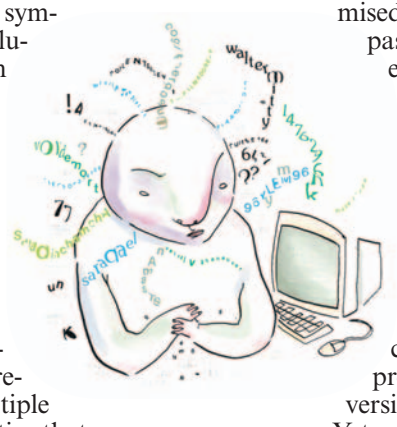
"It's getting kind of ridiculous," he said.

As our lives have become digitized, the number of passwords we juggle has exploded.

There's e-mail, online banking, Facebook, Amazon, even the library.

At the same time, keeping passwords secret from increasingly sophisticated cybercriminals requires ever more complex requirements.

Yet a foolproof system to manage dozens of passwords (which should be a combination of letters, numbers and symbols) remains elusive, even as tech companies tease with gizmos like the fingerprint scanner on the new iPhone 5S.



In a fit of frustration, many of us default to easy passwords that we repeat across multiple websites – a practice that practically begs hackers to breach our penetrable defenses. While the average person isn't often the target of an all-out attack by cybercriminals, many of us become vulnerable when the sites holding our passwords are compromised. If that stolen password is the key to everything important in our lives – identity, finances, personal information – then we're in trouble.

"A little bit of prudence goes a long way," said Joseph Konstan, a computer science professor at the University of Minnesota.

Yet even Konstan admits the best practice – such as using a different complex password for every site – is tough to follow.

He heeds that suggestion for his most important info, say financial and e-mail accounts. But he uses repeated passwords for sites that seem to require passwords just so they know who you are, including basic apps or free news websites. If it's a site Konstan rarely uses, he simply forgets and resets the password the next time he visits.

"We have managed to engineer a password system that is extremely taxing on people," he said.

One of the biggest sticking points: Each site has its own rules for password length and complexity. Some let users opt for two-factor authentication – a combination of something you know and something you possess. For instance, Gmail's optional two-step security

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Hartwig-Zielke

Kelsey Hartwig and Dale Zielke are planning a Jan. 25, 2014, wedding.

Hartwig, daughter of Rick and Connie Hartwig of Stevensville, graduated from Lakeshore High School and attended Lake Michigan College. She is employed with Flamm Pickle and Packing in Eau Claire.

Zielke, son of Norm and Jan Zielke of Stevensville, graduated from Lakeshore High School and Michigan State University. He is employed in construction with Norman Zielke Residential Builders Inc. Stevensville.

ANNIVERSARIES

Weeden 50 years

Bill and Marge Weeden of Hartford celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 2 at the Van Buren Sportsman's Club in Hartford.

Bill Weeden and the former Marge Martens were married Nov. 2, 1963, at Hartford Methodist Church in Hartford.

Their children are Charlie (Laura) Weeden and Billy (Tina) Weeden. They have three granddaughters.

Weeden is retired from Harding's Friendly Markets.

Mrs. Weeden is retired from Hartford Public Schools.

Neidlinger 60 years

Herbert and Margurite Neidlinger of Niles celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Nov. 15.

Herbert Neidlinger and the former Margurite Loebach were married Nov. 15, 1953.

Their children are Debra Florey of Buchanan, Margaret Cowels of Buchanan, Charlotte Pastryk of Niles and Brenda Payton of Buchanan. They have nine grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Neidlinger are retired.

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Brief stories without pictures will be published for couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years and every five years thereafter through 45 years. More complete stories and photos will be published of couples celebrating 50 years and every five years thereafter.

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Photographs for the Couples Page may now be published in color for a fee of $15. There is no charge for photographs published in black and white. Return of pictures from the Focus department cannot be guaranteed. An attempt will be made to return pictures accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope. Pictures not returned by mail can be picked up at The Herald-Palladium office.

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published a children's book, did not set out to write a book about the aftermath of the Sandy Hook shootings. She started keeping a journal, recording her feelings and her struggles to understand why Lanza did what he did – and to contemplate if she could ever forgive him.

The idea came about when she attended an I Can Do It conference sponsored by Hay House, a self-help publisher, in February. The keynote speaker was noted author Wayne W. Dyer. When someone mentioned to him that Lewis was in the audience, he called her up to the stage.

She talked about coping with her son's death and her struggles. Dyer encouraged her to write a book about her grief and recovery. Hay House agreed to publish it and Dyer has written a foreword.

Her journals from the first six months after the shooting formed the basis of the book.

"This was such a worldwide tragedy and we had people from almost every country reach out. The effect of this tragedy was felt across the world," Lewis said. "It's a way to let people know how I am doing and to help people get through horrific tragedies."

John Woike / Hartford Courant

Scarlett Lewis' painted portraits of her two sons, J.T. (left) and Jesse, sit atop a piano in the living room of her Newtown, Conn., home along with many other photos and gifts sent to her after Jesse was killed last December in the shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School.

Among the passages is a story involving survivors of genocide in Rwanda. About a month after the shooting, Lewis grew concerned about J.T., who was having a hard time dealing with the loss of his brother. Then J.T. participated in a Skype conference with genocide survivors in Rwanda, who had heard about the Sandy Hook shooting.

"These children had watched their whole families get slaughtered, in some instances, and then ended up in orphanages and they were telling J.T. that someday he would feel joy again," Lewis said.

The conversation affected her son so much that he started to raise money to help send a Rwandan genocide victim to college in the United States.

After hearing the stories of the Rwandan orphans, Lewis got the idea for the foundation as a way to memorialize Jesse.

The Jesse Lewis Choose Love Foundation's goal is to develop programs to help children deal with anger.

"There are a lot of angry kids and that rage builds up inside of them until it leads to violence like we saw here," Lewis said. "We want to develop programs for schoolchildren about having compassion for one another."

Lewis decided to practice what she was about to preach, trying to come to terms with her anger toward Lanza.

"If the children living in orphanages could forgive their neighbors who committed genocide, then I thought I can forgive the boy who killed Jesse," Lewis said.

PASSWORDS

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calls for a password and then a code sent to the user's smartphone. Twitter enabled a similar system this spring after prominent news organizations were hacked. A false tweet about bombs at the White House, sent through the Associated Press' compromised account, sent the stock market plummeting.

The dizzying list of security features can cause headaches for users. Password has almost become a curse word.

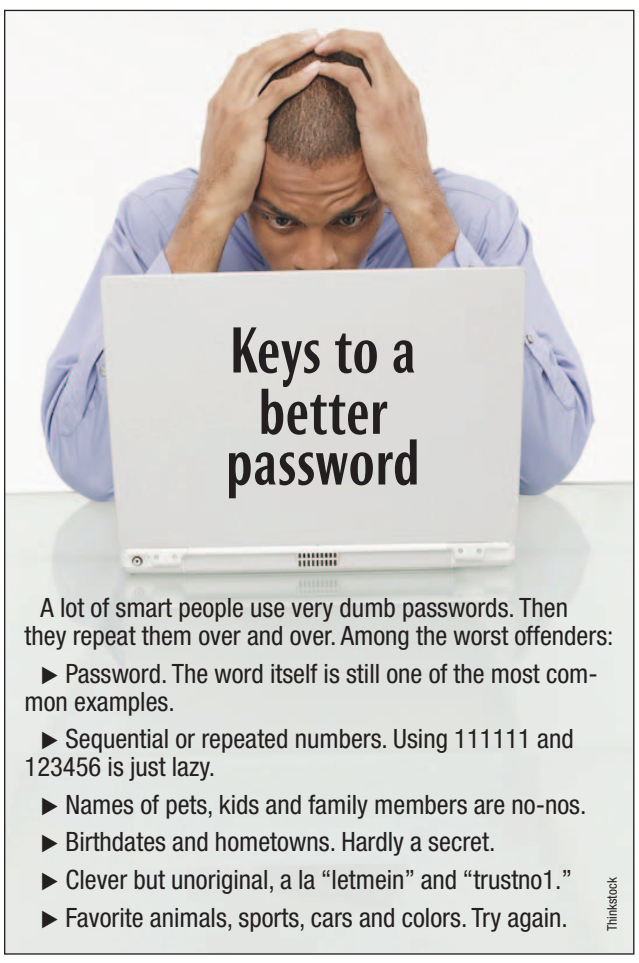
"It used to just be that you could use a word. Then you could have a combination of words and numbers. Now it's like you have to have words, numbers and some sort of symbol," said Angela Mattson of Mendota Heights, Minn., who keeps an assortment of passwords written down in different places. "It gets a little confusing."

Then there are security questions, odd personal trivia that can make you doubt your self-knowledge as you attempt to prove your identity. What was your first teacher's name? What street did you live on in fourth grade? What was your maternal grandmother's maiden name?

Experts say it's best to give a false answer when setting up security questions. Even if grandma's maiden name was Johnson, you should say it was Williams. That way intruders can't crack the questions through research, as a college student did when he hacked Sarah Palin's e-mail in 2008 by correctly answering questions about her birthdate and family. But good luck remembering those false answers.

Michelle Brooks of Fridley, Minn., was stumped recently when an attempt to reset a password led to this question: What was your childhood nickname?

"Not only did I not remember having a childhood nickname, if I had answered it (at some point), I couldn't remember what I answered," she said.



A lot of smart people use very dumb passwords. Then they repeat them over and over. Among the worst offenders:

▶ Password. The word itself is still one of the most common examples.

▶ Sequential or repeated numbers. Using 111111 and 123456 is just lazy.

▶ Names of pets, kids and family members are no-nos.

▶ Birthdates and hometowns. Hardly a secret.

▶ Clever but unoriginal, a la "letmein" and "trustno1."

▶ Favorite animals, sports, cars and colors. Try again.

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Frustration with a folder stuffed full of written passwords prompted David Bergum to look for a better system. It was a particularly thorny problem because he divides his time between the northern Minnesota town of Isabella, North Carolina and New Zealand.

"I got sick of all the pieces of paper," he said. "Especially traveling around, if I forget that folder down here and go up north, I'm dead."

He settled on 1Password, software that generates and remembers complex passwords along with user names for different sites. Now he only has to remember the master password to access 1Password via his Web browser or iPhone.

There are a variety of such apps, including LastPass, Roboform and KeePass, that all work a little differently but promise security through encryption. Some are free; others offer more features, such as synchronization across different devices, for a price. Experts say they can be a nice alternative for people who want to keep track of multiple passwords without writing them down.

Katie Leyman, of Edina, Minn., uses LastPass to track passwords, but isn't sure she wants to surrender all her secrets to the technology. She stores most of her passwords in LastPass, but commits her passwords for e-mail and financial sites to memory.

"If your whole life is in there, you can't get it back if you don't remember what (the master password) is," she said. "There was one moment I thought I forgot it. I was sitting there going, "Omigod, I can't get to anything that I need.'"

The line between security and usability is a fine one.

Derek Meister, a Geek Squad agent, said it's important not to make security so complex that people get overwhelmed and default to insecure habits, like repeating simple passwords. He suggests thinking about digital security much like home security. It's not perfect, but it can be a deterrent to those aiming to make trouble.

"You're not looking to make your house into Fort Knox. You're looking to make your house hard enough to get into that somebody will say, 'I'm going to go elsewhere,'" Meister said. "It's the same with passwords."

Tips for securing your many online passwords

In the ongoing struggle with online security, experts offer these tips to generate and manage passwords that will keep your information safe.

Mix it up. Ideally, every password is different. Realistically, there are a lot of repeats out there. At minimum, make sure your passwords to critical sites – especially financial information and email, which is a gateway to so much more – are unique and tough to crack.

Words to the wise. Some hackers will try every word in the dictionary, so make sure your password is complex. If whole words are all you can remember, try pairs or groups of completely unrelated words for better security.

Think in phrases. Remembering a random combination of letters, numbers and symbols gets easier if they're related. Pick a phrase that's special to you but not widely known and adapt it. For example, "Thanksgiving dinner includes turkey, sweet potatoes, green beans and three pies" might become "Tditspb&3P."

Consider an app. There are multiple smartphone apps that remember passwords for you, including LastPass, 1Password, Dashlane, oneSafe and KeePass. While some are free, many require subscriptions to use all their features. Read the details and make sure they encrypt information. Even then, experts say, you may want to remember a few critical passwords (email, financial sites, etc.) so you're not stashing all your secrets in one place.

BAZAARS

Benton Harbor: The Annual VFW Ladies Auxiliary Holiday Bazaar will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 23 at VFW Post 1137, 2616 E. Napier Ave. Handcrafted items and local vendors such as Tastefully Simple, Scentsy, Avon and more will be there. Lunch will be available. For more information call 925-8355 after 4 p.m.

Decatur: The 33rd Annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Show will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 30. The show will feature more than 150 artists and crafters from Michigan, Indiana and Illinois. The café will feature homemade soups, sandwiches and desserts. The show will be at the Decatur Junior/Senior High School, 110 Cedar St., and is sponsored by the Decatur Athletic Boosters. Admittance to the show is a non-perishable food item for the Decatur Human Services Food Pantry.

Berrien Springs: Berrien RESA's Blossomland Learning Center, 711 St. Joseph Ave., will host a holiday bazaar from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 6. The snow date will be Dec. 9. The bazaar will feature an assortment of items including various crafts, ceramic art, baked goods, ornaments and more. There will also be several raffle items as well as light lunch options. Proceeds will benefit BLC students by providing them with classroom materials, opportunities for social gatherings and community outings.

Stevensville: The Ladies League of Christ Lutheran Church, 4333 Cleveland Ave., will sponsor their annual Cookie Walk on Dec. 7. Doors open at 9 a.m. until the cookies are gone. Cost is $6 per pound. The Parent-Teacher League will sell homemade crafts.

Benton Harbor: The Ladies Auxiliary is having a bake sale from 5 to 8 p.m. Dec. 6 at American Legion Post 105, 1645 Paw Paw Ave.

News of area bazaars and arts and crafts shows will be published Sundays in The Herald-Palladium. Nonprofit groups who would like to be included should send a press release two weeks in advance of the event to: Focus, The Herald-Palladium, P.O. Box 128, St. Joseph, MI 49085.

Tapping into the brain trust of our older residents

Lynn Kellogg
Generations

I wonder how many people would be willing to give up the last 10 years of their knowledge? I ask that periodically when discussion focuses on the value of age. Whether verbal or non-verbal, the answer to the question is pretty universal. Hard-earned knowledge is treasured and certainly not to be given away.

Now imagine 20 years of knowledge, or maybe 30, or even 40. Now you're getting closer to the tremendous brain trust embodied in the older residents of this area. Whether planned or not, Southwest Michigan is a retirement destination.

Count your blessings if you live here year round. Others dream of it. The Lake Michigan coastline, rolling countryside and numerous inland lakes are home to many second homeowners who hope to spend more time here. With retirement, a significant percentage of these long-time "visitors" move here to fulfill their dream.

Now think about the brain trust. What an opportunity!

In the last hundred years we've added three decades to our life expectancy. In the U.S. and many countries, there are more people of working age over the age of 50 or 55 than there are younger people. This is a global phenomenon, particularly in developed countries, but many underdeveloped countries as well.

We must adapt to an older world. Joseph Coughlin, director of AgeLab at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, says it quite simply: "Longevity's rewriting all the things we took for granted."

In Michigan, seniors are a $32 billion economic force. Their economic contributions create jobs that won't leave the state. Their income is imported into the state's economy. In Berrien County, 22 percent of residents – more than one in five – will be 65 or older by 2020.

Robert Hormats, undersecretary of state for economic growth, energy and the environment, says we need a focused, societywide effort to transform our vision of aging. We need to focus less on leisure and potential dependency and instead look at advanced years as a time of continued growth, contribution and social and economic participation.

It's not just a nice thought, it's necessary. We need that brain trust. We also can't afford to lose that many people in the work force. We need the merit of hard earned knowledge passed on, if not in employment, then in volunteering or mentoring. It's critical for our economic future.

We need creative employment opportunities – part-time, flex-time, independent contractor – to keep the brain trust involved. Volunteerism in leadership roles or mentoring can be other options.

Sometimes it's hard for younger people to feel the brain trust. While they may be close to certain older individuals, it can be hard to see the entire population as a resource. There are so many stereotypes.

At a recent business meeting, multiple generations were talking about the growing older population. I asked the predominantly younger group to imagine what it would be like if they were suddenly 85 years old. The non-verbal behavior and smiles told me some struggled with the task.

Then I asked them to consider that being 85 might mean sitting in the room as they were right then, thinking thoughts with the same energy they had now, though perhaps with more intellect, but with bodies that had changed significantly. It looked like there might have been a few "ah ha" moments.

The brain trust is real. The shift in demographics to an older society is real and permanent. In our retirement mecca the opportunities for inter-generational partnerships offer tremendous potential.

As Undersecretary Hormats says, we need to create opportunities to enable older people to contribute to their economies and communities in increasingly effective ways. It's our future.

Lynn Kellogg is chief executive officer of Region IV Area Agency on Aging in Southwest Michigan. Questions on age or independence services? Call the Info-Line for Aging & Disability at 800-654-2810 or visit www.areaagencyonaging.org. The Generations column appears each Sunday in The Herald-Palladium.

Don't forget context in dealing with parents

Carolyn Hax

Dear Carolyn: I am in my 30s and live on the opposite coast from my family. We speak about once a month and exchange casual emails. Our relationship is generally fraught and I have gone years at a time without more than cursory communication with them.

I got divorced this year; it was as amicable as possible. I decided to try being open with my parents about it, and they ramped up our communication to phone calls every other week and more frequent emails. They also gave me a significant sum of money to clear some debts, which I did not solicit but have really appreciated, and they know it.

I had wondered when I'd have to pay for their kindness, and the answer is now. They think I should give up my career and life here and move back in with them. I've refused this, but we had agreed I would come stay with them for Thanksgiving week. My sister, who lives locally, will also be staying there with her cats.

My mother recently called to worry at length about how my presence would affect the cats. Once I'd calmed down, I sent my dad a brief email saying my feelings were hurt. He replied immediately saying never mind about the cats, and they are all very much looking forward to reconnecting with me, but I should understand my mother has been very stressed about my divorce among other things, and it's important I'm there to cheer her up about it.

He then added that they are holding off booking their summer vacation for next year until they know what my future plans are, and as the delay is costing them money I need to confirm where I will be next summer as soon as possible.

None of this is out of character for them, but it's still pretty hurtful. I was prepared to grit my teeth and get through Thanksgiving to show my thanks for the money and try to improve our relationship, but not if I'm expected to play second fiddle to some cats and arrange my future to my parents' convenience. I feel like I'm being blackmailed.

If I cancel this trip, I feel like this will cause a rift that will be almost impossible to repair. How do I handle my parents? I need to begin repaying this money, right? – **More Important Than My Sister's Cats**

Yes, you do, in the biggest installments you can manage.

More important, though, you need to recognize that taking offense reflexively at each bizarre thing your parents say is undermining your goal of getting along with them. Seeing your mom's cat ramblings, for example, as a straight declaration of preference for the feelings of the cats? That's looking for the negative, which puts you on the defensive, which moves you to distance yourself, which Mom will notice and likely respond to with more angsty, off-topic concerns like the cats' social graces.

Instead, take a step back and look at your mom's call in the context of your years of tetchy relations. You might instead see her whole detour into cat psychology as a convenient proxy for her fear this visit won't go well.

It's certainly not a stretch to conclude that she lacks the emotional skill to say to you, "I know we've struggled to get along in recent years, but I miss you and hope we can do right by you this week" – or to say nothing at all while resolving to be patient, flexible and upbeat. Communication problems are your letter's prevailing theme.

Take the vacation loopiness (please). Couldn't it be that your parents are fretting (anachronistically) about your social and financial place in the world post-divorce and their subsequent duty toward you – and, lacking the ways and words to make this anxiety manageable, pinning it to their travel plans?

You can apply context and perspective, too, to the way you respond to your parents, combined with strong resolve to break the habit of assuming the worst of them. Assume instead they're trying their best – and remain focused on your let's-all-get-along goal: "Hmm, maybe I will freak out the cats ... but let's play it by ear. I'm sure we can solve any problems that arise." Or, "Oh gosh, Dad, don't hold up your vacation plans on my account – I'm not moving anywhere. Well, except forward, right?"

As for your "cheer(ing) her up about" your divorce, that's a nutshell explanation for your fraught relationship: Your parents see your problems as theirs to solve – and, by extension, they want you to relieve any discomfort or stress they incur. Ugh. For that, long-term, you can only hold the line – "I've got this, thanks" – and pay them back ASAP.

Last thing. Thanks to some delightful antecedent trouble, your dad assured you the *cats* "are all very much looking forward to reconnecting" with you. Just a smile to pack for your trip.

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Pet of the week

Photo provided

Sarah is a 1-year-old Chihuahua available for adoption with Animal Aid of Southwest Michigan. She's a sweet girl who's great with children, is housebroken and loves belly rubs. Sarah is a little leery around other dogs until she learns to trust them. She's already spayed and up to date on vaccinations. For more info or to meet her, call Jana at 983-8708. For more dogs and also cats available for adoption, check www.animalaidswmi.org.

Daughter pleads for patience from nursing home workers

Jeanne Phillips
Dear Abby

Dear Abby: My elderly mother was recently placed in a nursing/rehabilitation facility. After several months of observation, I would like to offer an open letter to those who work in such places.

"Dear Caretaker,

"It is true I have grown older. My body won't do what it used to do. My eyes aren't as bright, and sometimes I have trouble finding the right words. But I do have a name, and it's not 'Honey' or 'Sweetie.' I have experienced much, and I have learned much. Your history books are my personal history. There is a lot I could teach you.

"You don't have to shout; I will tell you if I can't hear you. I have known great love and great tragedy in the years I have spent on this earth. I have spent decades learning to take care of myself, and it's hard having to rely on others.

"I need your help, but please don't talk to me as if I were a 2-year-old or a puppy. I'm too polite to say so, but I see when you roll your eyes or heave a sigh that says you'd rather be anywhere else but with me. These are my final years, and I've worked a lifetime to get here. Give me the dignity I deserve. All too soon, you will want the same." – Daughter in Anderson, Ind.

Dear Daughter: Your letter carries an important message. But please remember that the staff in nursing homes work long hours, often for minimum wage, and they all may not have been properly trained in caring for elderly and dementia patients. The work is hard, and the facility may also be understaffed.

It takes a special kind of person to do this work, and many of them deserve medals. However, if you feel that your mother's care is not up to par and that her dignity is not being respected, you should discuss it with the director of the facility.

Dear Abby: For the last 10 years, a family of four has come to our home for every Christmas and Easter meal. It started when my wife invited a co-worker. They had no family in town and nowhere else to go.

My wife's relationship with the woman has cooled, but the family assumes they are automatically invited and show up without being asked. They spend more time talking to our other family members than they do to us.

How do I politely let them know we no longer wish for them to come to our family meals? – Family Only in Mississippi

Dear Family Only: Your wife should tell her co-worker that your plans for the holidays have changed, that the two of you are scaling back the festivities to include *only family members*.

She should be sure to convey this news in plenty of time for her co-worker to make other arrangements – whether it will be preparing something herself or getting together with another family. Now would be a perfect time to do it.

Dear Abby: I would like to be fluent in another foreign language, but I don't have enough time to practice the language. What could I possibly do? – Rafaela in Brazil

Dear Rafaela: Regardless of what language you want to learn, it won't be possible unless you are willing (and able) to put in the time to practice. If I were in your situation, I'd take a basic grammar class in the language, then try to find exchange students who speak it and spend time with them. And if you're not married and find an attractive man among them, that will give you even more incentive.

Volunteers

Krasl Art Center

Krasl offers volunteer opportunities for achievement, growth and success. The following positions are available:

Front desk receptionist: Meet and greet the public, answer phones and provide information to Krasl visitors. Must have good customer service experience and skills.

Gift shop cashier: Help gift shop visitors. Must have prior cashier and sales experience, plus good customer service skills.

To apply for either position, call Colleen Villa, director of community relations, at 983-0271 or email cvilla@krasl.org.

Our Father's Family Keeper Ministries

Administrative help: In preparation for the 2014 Community Based Summer Enrichment Program, help is needed before April 7 with cutting, laminating, collating and preparing supplies for eight classes (there are seven or eight students per class) and two learning centers. There are also various activities using Microsoft Office 2010, i.e. Word and Excel. To volunteer please call Bianca L. May at 476-1257 or email ourfathersfamily@ymail.com.

Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church

Food and clothing pantry: Mount Calvary Church's food pantry would welcome food and clothing of all sizes for men, women and children to replenish their shelves and closets. They also operate a Dress for Success Closet, which provides clothing appropriate for a job interview or the workplace. Please bring all donations of food and clothes to the pantry at 528 Ferry St., Niles. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call Beverly Woodson for additional information or questions at 635-0296.

The Herald-Palladium, in conjunction with Volunteer Southwest Michigan, publishes volunteer opportunities every Sunday. To find out about more opportunities, call 983-0912, visit volunteerswmi.org or email volunteer@volunteerswmi.org.

Cass County Council on Aging

Adult day services aide: Aide provides weekday assistance to supervisor at facility by interacting with clients and engaging in activities as client's ability permits; assisting with meals and snacks as needed; providing assistance or delivery of personal care tasks; and providing for client's safety, privacy and dignity.

Meals on Wheels driver: Weekday pickup and delivery of prepared meals from the facility kitchen; review route and inventory prior to delivery; document completed deliveries. Volunteers will use their own vehicles to deliver meals to homebound seniors in Cass County. Routes begin and end at the Cassopolis facility. Upon completing the route, drivers can enjoy a free lunch. Mileage is paid at the current government approved rate.

Medical transportation driver: Weekday transportation of clients to medical appointments. Assignments begin and end at client's home located in Cass County.

Driver documentation is required for each client. Driver must have reliable transportation and a good driving record and be comfortable driving in all weather conditions. Ability to read maps or program GPS units is helpful. Mileage is reimbursed at the approved government rate if using personal vehicles.

Café aide: Weekday facility Café assistance for seating, service and clean-up.

Contact Mark Love at 445-8110 or email markl@casscoa.org.

Berrien County Trial Court

The Berrien County Trial Court Family Division is seeking volunteers to serve as receptionist for the Juvenile Court Department at the courthouse in St. Joseph. Volunteers will answer phones, do filing, provide good customer service, make copies and more. Candidates must pass a background check. The greatest need is 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Wednesdays, and shifts are available.

If you are interested, call Rebecca Cahill at 983-7111, ext. 8615, or email rcahill@berriencounty.org.

Harbor Habitat for Humanity

Harbor Habitat's ReStore location is always in need of volunteers. There are a variety of opportunities at the ReStore, and the employees there are very friendly and professional. ReStore is at 2302 Plaza Drive, Benton Harbor. Tasks include assisting customers, readying donations for the sales floor, and a whole host of other things. Store hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. Call Brenda Butler at 925-9635, ext. 309, for more information, or email bbutler@harborhabitat.org.

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If Obamacare sinks, so does the liberal agenda

"Even if it takes a change to the law, the president should honor the commitment the federal government made to those people and let them keep what they got."

– Bill Clinton, Nov. 12

So the former president asserts that the current president continues to dishonor his "you like your plan, you can keep your plan" pledge. And calls for the Affordable Care Act to be changed, despite furious White House resistance to the very idea.

Charles Krauthammer

Coming from the dean of the Democratic Party, this one line marked the breaching of the dam. It legitimized the brewing rebellion of panicked Democrats against Obamacare. Within hours, that rebellion went loudly public. By Thursday, President Obama had been forced into a rear-guard holding action, asking insurers to grant a one-year extension of current plans.

The damage to the Obama presidency, however, is already done. His approval rating has fallen to 39 percent, his lowest ever. And, for the first time, a majority consider him untrustworthy. That bond is not easily repaired.

At stake, however, is more than the fate of one presidency or of the current Democratic majority in the Senate. At stake is the new, more ambitious, social-democratic brand of American liberalism introduced by Obama, of which Obamacare is both symbol and concrete embodiment.

Precisely when the GOP was returning to a more constitutionalist conservatism committed to reforming, restructuring and reining in the welfare state (see, for example, the Paul Ryan Medicare reform passed by House Republicans with near unanimity), Obama offered a transformational liberalism designed to expand the role of government, enlarge the welfare state and create yet new entitlements (see, for example, his call for universal preschool in his most recent State of the Union address).

The centerpiece of this vision is, of course, Obamacare, the most sweeping social reform in the last half-century, affecting one-sixth of the economy and directly touching the most vital area of life of every citizen.

As the only socially transformational legislation in modern American history to be enacted on a straight party-line vote, Obamacare is wholly owned by the Democrats. Its unraveling would catastrophically undermine their underlying ideology of ever-expansive central government providing cradle-to-grave care for an ever-grateful citizenry.

For four years, this debate has been theoretical. Now it's real. And for Democrats, it's a disaster.

It begins with the bungled rollout. If Washington can't even do the website – the literal portal to this brave new world – how does it propose to regulate the vast ecosystem of American medicine?

Second, arrogance. Five million freely chosen, freely purchased, freely renewed health care plans are summarily canceled. Why? Because they don't meet some arbitrary standard set by the experts in Washington.

For all his news conference gyrations about not deliberately deceiving people with his "if you like it" promise, the law Obama so triumphantly gave us allows you to keep your plan only if *he* likes it. That's the very definition of paternalism.

Lastly, deception. The essence of the entitlement state is government giving away free stuff. Hence Obamacare would provide insurance for 30 million uninsured, while giving everybody tons of free medical services – without adding "one dime to our deficits," promised Obama.

This being inherently impossible, there had to be a catch. Now we know it: hidden subsidies. Toss millions of the insured off their plans and onto the Obamacare "exchanges" where they would be forced into more expensive insurance packed with coverage they don't want and don't need – so that the overcharge can be used to subsidize others.

The reaction to the incompetence, arrogance and deception has ranged from ridicule to anger. But more is in jeopardy than just panicked congressional Democrats. This is the signature legislative achievement of the Obama presidency, the embodiment of his new entitlement-state liberalism. If Obamacare goes down, there will be little left of its underlying ideology.

Perhaps it won't go down. Perhaps the web portal hums beautifully on Nov. 30. Perhaps they'll find a way to restore the canceled policies without wrecking the financial underpinning of the exchanges.

Perhaps. The more likely scenario, however, is that Obamacare does fail. It either fails politically, renounced by a wide consensus that includes a growing number of Democrats. Or it succumbs to the financial complications (the insurance "death spiral") of the very amendments desperately tacked on to save it.

If it does fail, the effect will be historic. Obamacare will take down with it more than Mary Landrieu and Co. It will discredit Obama's new liberalism for years to come.

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Obama lied, then made it worse

Dear Mr. President:
You lied.

More often than anyone can count you've said some version of the following in defense of the Affordable Care Act: "If you like your health-care plan, you'll be able to keep your health-care plan, period."

Leonard Pitts

We learn now that perhaps as many as 2 million Americans cannot, in fact, do that under the new law. It requires that health insurance cover a comprehensive range of benefits, though more modest policies can be grandfathered in, provided those policies have not been significantly changed since the ACA was enacted in 2010. Anyone whose policy fails to meet one of those two criteria must get a new one.

So what you said was incorrect, and that's bad enough. You made matters worse in a Nov. 4 speech in which you claimed you didn't say what you did.

"What we said," you told the audience, "was, you can keep it if it hasn't changed since the law passed." The Pants on Fire rating that you got from Politifact was richly deserved.

It is hardly news that presidents lie. Bill Clinton parsed an intransitive verb to hide his dalliance with a White House intern, George W. Bush claimed he never advocated "stay the course" in Iraq, Ronald Reagan swore he never traded weapons for hostages to arm the Contras in Nicaragua, Lyndon Johnson escalated U.S. involvement in Vietnam by claiming American warships had suffered unprovoked attacks in the Gulf of Tonkin, Richard Nixon said, "I am not a crook."

But surely you understand by now that you are not just another president. You are, rather, the embodiment of a movement, Exhibit A in the argument that a new America is taking shape before our eyes. So, the rules and expectations are different for you. No one who has been buoyed by that movement, no citizen of that new America, wants to see you acting like just another president, any more than anyone wanted to see Jackie Robinson strike out at bat or Neil Armstrong stumble while stepping off the lunar lander.

Is that fair? No. So what?

You are probably familiar with the political axiom that one campaigns in poetry, but governs in prose. That's true enough, ordinarily, something voters understand, if only instinctively. But the byproduct of embodying a movement is that when you promise poetry, people expect a little poetry. This latest episode amounts to torpid prose.

It is worth noting that people maintain a deep reservoir of goodwill toward you, even now. And it says something that even after three years of strident, hypocritical, extreme and often delusional Republican pounding, even after bizarre comparisons with the Third Reich and slavery, even after claims that death panels are coming after Nana, the ACA remains popular with nearly half the American public.

This is something of a political miracle. But you stretch your luck beyond breaking if you think you can continue to defy gravity while absorbing both the wounds Republicans inflict upon you and those you needlessly inflict upon yourself.

The botched rollout of the ACA with its amateur-hour website was bad enough. Now there's this. An observer can only wonder what you were thinking. Did you believe the lie would not be discovered? Did you think the political gain was worth the embarrassment? Did you not know enough about the law to realize this bomb was ticking?

None of those scenarios reflects well upon you.

Thankfully, you have apologized and promised, albeit without specifics, to provide relief for people who now need to buy insurance despite your blanket promises. That needs to happen yesterday. Your legacy teeters here, Mr. President, Jackie Robinson waiting for the pitch, Neil Armstrong poised above lunar soil. Two words of advice:

Do better.

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LETTERS

Whatever happened to celebrating Thanksgiving?

Editor,

When did we lose Thanksgiving? The day after Halloween the stores are busy removing the month-old candy and are filling the shelves with Christmas candy, candles, gift-wrapping paper and, of course, Christmas cards. Each day another store announces "early bird" shopping hours on Thanksgiving Day.

Remember the famous Norman Rockwell painting of the family at the Thanksgiving table at prayer? We Americans should stop at least one day a year and gather with family and friends and thank God for our beautiful country and our freedom to be able to thank God. Of course, we grumble about things that happen that we don't like, but, believe me, this is still the greatest country in the world.

God bless America!

Sallie Coldren
St. Joseph

COME ON, GUYS... PEOPLE ARE ALREADY ANNOYED THAT CHRISTMAS IS COMING TOO EARLY!
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An unsportsmanlike display by Lakeshore at SJ

Editor,

I am writing this letter concerning the very unsportsmanlike attitude and disrespect that some of the Lakeshore Lancers football team members displayed after the game on Nov. 8 against St. Joseph. It is no wonder the Miami Dolphins team is having so many problems with its players, because the coaches either approved of or told the players to do what they have done down there. This is being done and accepted by the coaches of even high school football teams.

The coaches of the Lakeshore Lancers football team either told their players to do what they did, or they just stood by and watched and approved of the complete disrespect that they showed to the St. Joseph football team players, the St. Joseph people in attendance and the city of St. Joseph in general.

The coaches let about 12-15 players run over after the game was won by them, and allowed those players to beat their helmets against the goal post. It just showed to everybody there exactly how the players had been coached and the things that the coaches allowed them to do. It also showed the complete disrespect that those 12-15 players had for everybody else in the stadium, including their own school, players and city.

Rex T. Nelson
Benton Harbor

Response by area fire departments appreciated

Editor,

On Oct. 30, there was an unfortunate fire at Berrien Homes at 1738 Council Drive in the Berrien Homes housing complex on Crystal Avenue in Benton Charter Township. As it turns out, the fire was started by children playing with matches or a lighter. Due to the quick action of the family, thankfully there was no loss of life or injury to the family members or those fighting the fire.

Due to the quick response of the Benton Charter Township Fire Department and the local fire departments that assisted, the damage was limited to the unit where the fire occurred.

We would like to thank the Benton Charter Township Fire Department, St. Joseph Township stations 1 and 2, including eight fire vehicles and the 32 firefighters, as well as off-duty Benton Township fire personnel. Times and situations like this demonstrate that our community responds when needed, and the staff, management and residents of Berrien Homes are very appreciative of the service provided by the good fire departments of our community.

Arnold Leonard
Homes for Berrien County Families Inc.

ANOTHER OPINION

Kicking Obamacare's problems down the road

Faced with a growing public backlash to the 2010 healthcare law's insurance reforms, the Obama administration decreed Thursday that consumers should be allowed to keep their current policies for another year, even if the coverage falls short of the law's requirements. The move is a desperate attempt to fulfill a promise President Obama never should have made, and the legal authority for it is sketchy. What's more, it may not be possible at this point for insurers to revive policies they've already canceled. Worst of all, Obama merely punted to next year the fight over the law's insurance reforms, which he has done a remarkably poor job of explaining and selling. The only good thing about the delay is that it might stop Congress from making a more damaging change to the law.

Insurers have been sending cancellation notices to millions of customers because most of the policies they've been selling to individuals – that is, those people not covered by large group plans at work – don't meet the new standards for affordability and coverage. The goal of the standards is a good one: to stop insurers from excluding or segregating people with preexisting conditions and potentially costly medical needs into more expensive risk pools. But many have struggled to find replacement coverage because of the nightmarish technical problems at HealthCare.gov, the website serving the 36 state exchanges operated by the federal government. And others have complained that a new policy would cost far more than their old one.

The administration responded Thursday with a letter to state insurance commissioners, advising them that any policy for individuals or small businesses could be renewed for next year regardless of whether it met the standards that go into effect Jan. 1. Insurers could not sign up new customers for noncompliant policies, however, and would have to tell renewing customers about their policy's shortcomings.

Some states, including California, have legal and regulatory barriers that will have to be cleared before insurers can revive noncompliant policies – assuming they want to. And even if they do, another round of cancellation notices would go out next year, leading to another outcry against the law's insurance reforms in the weeks before voters go to the polls. But at least Obama didn't go as far as House Republicans have proposed; the bill they're advancing would allow insurers to keep offering their current noncompliant health plans to whoever might buy them. The concern about lost coverage is valid. But rather than delaying or giving up on badly needed changes to the individual insurance market, the administration and lawmakers should be putting more effort into helping people enroll in comprehensive new plans they can afford.

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– Los Angeles Times

Hillary vs. Elizabeth in 2016? Don't laugh, it could happen

Yes, it's too early to talk about the 2016 presidential race.

Yes, it's foolish to describe Hillary Clinton as already the unstoppable Democratic nominee.

And yes, it's just this side of hallucinatory to claim that even if it's not Hillary, the Democratic Party is unified to elect a female president.

But oh, how I'm lovin' this conversation.

Connie Schultz

I've waited my entire adult life for this moment, when so many male reporters and pundits are trying to figure out not *whether* a woman but *which* woman will be elected president of the United States.

New Republic's Noam Scheiber has generated the biggest buzz in political pundit land this week with his cover story, which laid out how Clinton could lose her party's nomination to another woman.

My favorite paragraph:

"Which brings us to the probable face of the insurgency. In addition to being strongly identified with the party's populist wing, any candidate who challenged Clinton would need several key assets. The candidate would almost certainly have to be a woman, given Democrats' desire to make history again. She would have to amass huge piles of money with relatively little effort. Above all, she would have to awaken in Democratic voters an almost evangelical passion. As it happens, there is precisely such a person. Her name is Elizabeth Warren."

The candidate would almost certainly have to be a woman.

Pinch me.

Now, Sen. Warren has said repeatedly she is not running for president. "No, no, no, no," she told The Boston Globe. When the reporter asked whether she really meant it – what wife hasn't had *that* conversation? – she added a fifth "no." She also, earlier this year, joined every female member of the Senate Democratic caucus in signing a secret-until-it-wasn't letter urging Clinton to run.

I will take this remarkable woman at her word, but I just love the rampant speculation tagging not one but two women as contenders for president.

Harold Meyerson wrote this week for The Washington Post that "the surest way (Clinton) can alienate significant segments of her party – perhaps to the point of enabling a progressive populist such as ... Warren ... to enter the race – is to surround herself with the same economic crew that led her husband to untether Wall Street and that persuaded Obama, at least in his first term, to go easy on the banks."

Chris Cillizza, also for the Post, wrote: "As Clinton learned in 2008, a candidate that appeals to voters' hearts can beat a candidate that appeals to their heads. And Clinton, for all of her built-in advantages in a 2016 race, will be hard pressed to ever be the heart candidate of the party base. Elizabeth Warren would be that candidate the minute she signals her interest in running. That fact should scare Clinton and her political team."

I have no idea what he means with that "heart" thing, but neither does he, so it's all good.

I could give you 10 more quotations from 10 other male pundits speculating on the Hillary-vs.-Elizabeth scenario. Maybe that's because, even in 2013, there are still a lot more men than women paid to give their opinions. I'm sure news organizations have been meaning to fix that. For decades.

I should mention that a few male commentators have been less equivocal about Hillary's chances. At least one, I mean.

"I think she'd be very tough to beat now," George Clooney told NBC News. "And you know, all of the things that people thought of her as polarizing in 2008 don't exist at all (anymore)."

I realize he is neither a pundit nor a reporter, but please, he's George Clooney. And he talked to NBC Entertainment "exclusively."

Mercy.

Speaking of NBC, its news operation's poll this week shows Clinton beating New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie by 10 points in a hypothetical presidential race. That means absolutely nothing this early, but William Whalen is all over this one.

In a column for The Wall Street Journal, Whalen offered battle tips to the GOP for the upcoming "'war on women' trope." It won't be easy defeating Clinton, he wrote, in part because of the "guilt-ridden reporters (who) want to even the score after ditching her for Barack Obama in 2008."

And this: "Personal insults from the GOP will prompt the media to add victimhood to her saintly profile."

Because nothing screams "presidential" like a woman scorned, you understand.

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The Warren Commission got it right: No conspiracy

By RICHARD M. MOSK
Los Angeles Times

AP file photos

President John F. Kennedy and First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy arrive at Love Field in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963.

As one of the surviving members of the staff of the Warren Commission, which investigated and issued a report on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, I am not looking forward to this week, as Friday marks the 50th anniversary of Kennedy's death, and that means a new round of demonizing the Warren Commission and celebrating fallacious conspiracy theories.

After Chief Justice Earl Warren hired me to work for the commission, he told me that "truth was our only client." Throughout the inquiry, that phrase remained our guiding principle.

The evidence that Lee Harvey Oswald killed the president was overwhelming. We reviewed ballistics analysis, medical records, eyewitness reports, acoustic patterns and a host of other records and investigative reports, all of which demonstrated beyond doubt that Oswald was the assassin. Scientific evidence confirmed that all the shots fired came from the spot where Oswald was perched and from a gun belonging to him. He showed consciousness of guilt by fleeing and killing a policeman. It wasn't the first time Oswald had contemplated assassinating someone. He had tried to kill a former Army general and outspoken arch-conservative prior to shooting the president.

One reason the conspiracies gained such hold was the bizarre second act of the assassination story, in which strip club owner Jack Ruby shot and killed Oswald as he was being moved by police two days after Kennedy's assassination. Another factor that fueled the conspiracies was the odd histories of both men. Oswald had lived for a time in the Soviet Union and attempted to renounce his American citizenship. Ruby had an arrest record but had friendly contacts with the police. But nothing in our extensive investigation of the contacts, finances and activities of Oswald and Ruby, including reviews of information from domestic and foreign intelligence sources, indicated a conspiracy. Nor has anything credible arisen in the 50 years thereafter suggesting a conspiracy.

If Oswald's estranged wife had not, on the night before Kennedy was shot, rejected her husband's offer to reconcile and look for an apartment the next day, there would have been no assassination. And if a last-minute interrogation of Oswald had not delayed his transfer, Ruby would not have been at the jail in time to kill Oswald. These unfortunate coincidences are not, however, consistent with a conspiracy.

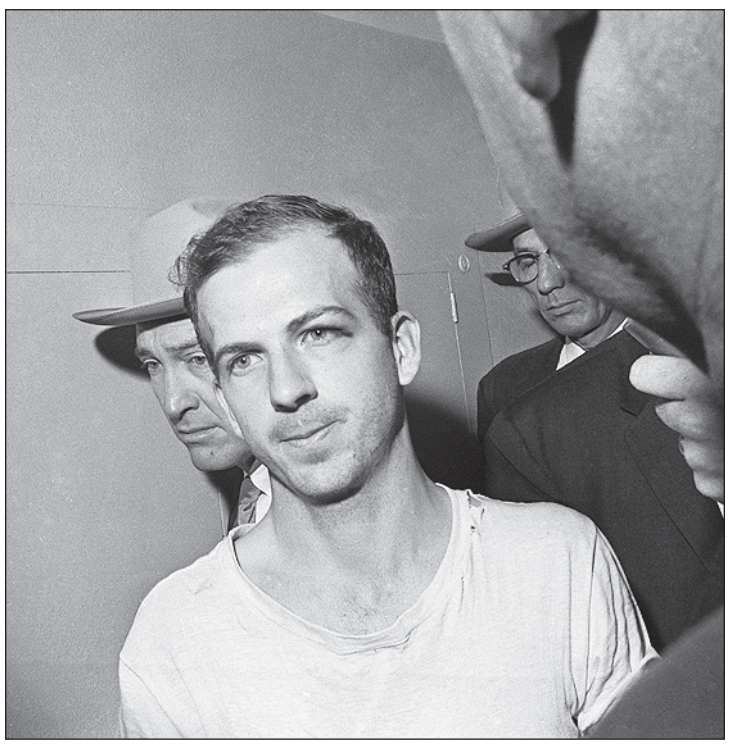
Conspiracy theorists have often attempted to latch on to some recollection or statement inconsistent with the commission's findings. But even in the simplest auto accident case, there is often conflicting evidence. One has to view the totality of the evidence in order to draw the most reasonable conclusion.

I suspect that most Americans have come to accept the conclusions of the Warren Commission. The history books now seem reconciled to the fact that Oswald, acting alone, assassinated the president.

The Warren Commission staff was composed primarily of highly regarded lawyers from around the country with an array of political views. I was a young, soon-to-be private-sector attorney. My father, then California's attorney general, was an early supporter and political confidant of President Kennedy. I had the privilege of meeting Kennedy when I was an undergraduate at Stanford, and I had every incentive to find and expose a conspiracy if one existed. With a top-secret security clearance, I had full access to the work of the staff, and I never saw anything untoward.

It's not all that surprising that assassinations and attempted assassinations often give rise to conspiracy theories. The simple explanation that a troubled but powerless person brought down the world's most powerful leader just doesn't seem sufficient.

That's why it was important for the Warren Commission to investigate – and to release its 888-page report with 26 volumes of supporting material. The investigation includes more than 25,000 interview reports and information from many agencies. It may still stand as the most extensive and thorough criminal investigation in history.



Lee Harvey Oswald is led down a corridor of the Dallas police station on Nov. 23, 1963, for another round of questioning in connection with the assassination of John F. Kennedy.

Those who, after almost five decades, contend that some information was withheld from the commission, or that it did not follow matters to the point of certainty, even if true, have not been able effectively to show that these alleged deficiencies could have affected the conclusion. The issue should not be whether the commission reached perfection in its methodology – something that is unobtainable – but whether the evidence supports its conclusion. And it does.

For years, polls showed a public that was skeptical of the conclusions of the commission. Such polling results no doubt have been fueled by the multitude of books and films that have sought to profit from advancing a new conspiracy.

But I suspect that most Americans have come to accept the conclusions of the Warren Commission. The history books now seem reconciled to the fact that Oswald, acting alone, assassinated the president. And there have recently been notable works supporting the Warren Commission report, including a massive book by Manson Family prosecutor Vincent Bugliosi, who spent 17 years researching the subject.

The promotion of false conspiracy theories is not harmless. In the past, what one historian dubbed as the "paranoid style of American politics" has led to fear of and antipathy toward certain religions and social and political movements.

Conspiracy theories can be satisfying because they supply a cause more proportional to the effect of a traumatic event, but they foster a damaging distrust of institutions. The distortion of history obscures the lessons to be learned from the past.

I hope on this 50th anniversary, the public will be skeptical of new criticisms of the commission and be more doubtful of the new conspiracy theories than of the Warren Commission.

Richard M. Mosk, a justice on the California Court of Appeal, was a member of the staff of the Warren Commission.

ANOTHER OPINION

Nuke deal with Iran less and less likely

The Fridya, Nov. 8 headlines in major papers like The New York Times were that after years of on-again, off-again talks, Iran and the six major world powers were close to a nuclear deal. By the following Sunday there was no deal, with the talks foundering on a seemingly intractable obstacle – Tehran's insistence that the West along with Russia and China formally recognize Iran's "right" to enrich uranium.

In addition, France took a hard line over Iran's plans for a heavy water reactor, insisting on strict limits and inspections to limit the plant's capability to produce plutonium that could be used in nuclear weapons.

The talks are to resume Wednesday, once again around the bargaining premise that the West would lift or ease crippling economic sanctions on Iran in exchange for Iran limiting or, better yet, giving up its nuclear program.

Iran insists, to almost universal disbelief, that it is not seeking to build nuclear weapons but needs to enrich uranium for power plants and medical uses. However, Iran under the ayatollahs has made no secret of its ambitions to be the pre-eminent power in the Gulf region.

President Obama openly regards reaching a deal with Iran as a badly needed foreign policy triumph. He intervened personally last week to ask the Senate Banking Committee to hold off action on a bill imposing even tougher economic penalties on Iran.

And Secretary of State John Kerry has said though his spokesman that additional sanctions at this time would be "a mistake" and a vote against diplomacy.

In addition to a large bloc in Congress that thinks Obama is too desperate to reach a deal, the president faces the implacable opposition of Israel to any agreement that allows Iran to expand its nuclear program beyond what it already has. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu sarcastically described the emerging outlines of the possible agreement as "the deal of the century." Only slightly less harsh in their opposition are Saudi Arabia and the Arab Gulf states.

Iran has a new president, Hassan Rouhani, who has said he wants better relations with the West. But the West has a pattern of seeing signs of moderation in new Iranian leaders that somehow never materialize.

Obama has less and less room to maneuver as his approval ratings fall and his administration becomes consumed with salvaging the launch of his health-care plan. A nuclear deal with Iran, assuming one is possible, may have to wait for a new president who does not have Obama's baggage with Israel and Congress.

– Scripps Howard News Service

hp ENTERTAINMENT

Prime Time TV

SUNDAY EVENING NOV. 17

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC (7)(13)(41)(57)	Funny Videos	Once Upon a Time A magical item. (N)		Revenge "Secrecy" (N) CC		:01 Betrayal "... One More Shot" (N)	
CBS (2)(3)(22)	:00 60 Minutes	The Amazing Race "One Hot Camel" (N)		The Good Wife "The Next Month" (N)		The Mentalist "The Great Red Dragon"	
NBC (5)(8)(16)	:00 Football Night in America (N) CC	:20 NFL Football Kansas City Chiefs at Denver Broncos. (N) (L) CC					
FOX (17)(28)(32)	The OT (N) CC	Almost Human "Pilot" CC (DVS)		The Simpsons	Family Guy (N)	Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) CC	
PBS (34)	Antiques	Secrets of Scotland Yard (N) CC		Masterpiece Classic "The Paradise" (N)		Masterpiece Classic "Downton Abbey"	
CW (25)	Big Bang Theory	★★ Bringing Down the House ('03, Comedy) Steve Martin, Queen Latifah.				News	King of Queens
MNT (50)	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Glee "The Power of Madonna" CC	
WCIU (26)	House of Payne	Mr. Box Office	Mr. Box Office	The First Family	The First Family	Engagement	Engagement
WHME (46)	Cooking With	Paid Program	Jack Van Impe	Perry Stone	Paid Program	Joyce Meyer	Commun
WSBT (22)	:00 CSI: Miami	★★★ Love's Kitchen ('11, Romance-Comedy) Claire Forlani, Dougray Scott.				News	Buck McNeely
A&E	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty
AMC	Ghost Rider ('07)	The Walking Dead "Internment" CC		The Walking Dead "Live Bait" (N) CC		:01 Talking Dead (N) CC	
Animal	Bigfoot	Lone Star	Pearl	Wildman	Wildman	Finding Bigfoot	
BET	Thin Line	★★ The Family That Preys ('08, Drama) Kathy Bates. CC					
Big Ten	College Basketball			B1G Football Game of the Week (N)			
Bravo	Housewives/Atl.	The Real Housewives of Atlanta (N)		Thicker Than Water "Sibling Biblery" (N)		The Real Housewives of Atlanta	
Cartoon	Diary	Percy Jackson & the Olympians				Burgers	Fam. Guy
Cinemax	Courage Under	★★★ Die Hard 2 ('90, Action) Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia. CC				★★ Battleship ('12) Taylor Kitsch.	
CMT	Pawn	Cable Guy's Christmas Luau			Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.
CNBC	On	60 Minutes on CNBC		Secret	Secret	Amer. Greed	
CNN	Maverick	Anthony Bourd.		The Assassination of President Kennedy			
Comedy	6:58 ★★ Happy Gilmore			Daniel Tosh: Happy		Katt Williams	
CSNC	SportsNet	College Soccer				Heartland Poker	
Discovery	Last Frontier	Alaska: The Last Frontier Exposed (N)		Alaska: The Last Frontier (N) CC		Yukon Men Goose hunting season. (N)	
Disney	Austin	Teen Beach Movie ('13) Ross Lynch.				Liv-Mad.	ANT Farm
DIY	Salvage	Bryan	Bryan	Bryan	Bryan	Contrac	Contrac
E!	Kardas	Kardashian		Total Divas		Total Divas (N)	
Encore	Rich-Poor Man	Rich-Poor Man	:40 ★★ Sparkle ('12, Drama) Jordin Sparks, Whitney Houston, Derek Luke. CC				Antwone Fisher
ESPN	:00 SportsCenter (N)	BCS		World Series		Shorts	Shorts
ESPN2	College Basketball			This Is Sportscenter		NHRA Drag Racing	
ESPNC	:00 Elevate	Unguarded CC				30 for 30 CC	
Family	:00 ★★★ The Incredibles ('04) Voices of Craig T. Nelson, Holly Hunter.				★★★ The Incredibles ('04) Voices of Craig T. Nelson.		
Food	Express	Guy's Games		Restaurant Express		On the Rocks	
Fox News	Report	Huckabee		FOX News Reporting		Stossel	
Fox Sports	Poker	Football	Pistons	Pistons	NBA Basketball		
FX	★★ Real Steel ('11)	★★ Green Lantern ('11) Ryan Reynolds, Blake Lively. A test pilot joins a band of intergalactic warriors.					Green Lantern
G4	Tough	Wrecking	Wrecking	Wrecking	Wrecking	Soup	Soup
Golf	PGA Tour Golf		Central	European PGA Tour Golf			
Hallmark	Boyfriend for	Catch a Christmas Star ('13) Shannon Elizabeth, Steve Byers. (P). CC				A Holiday Engagement ('11) CC	
HBO	:25 Mike Tyson: Undisputed Truth CC			Boardwalk Empire "Havre de Grace" (N)		Eastbound	Hello Ladies
History	Pawn	Ax Men CC		Ax Men (N) CC		American Jungle (N)	
HGTV	Hunt Intl	Cousins Undercover		Beach	Beach	House Hunters Reno	
Learning	Medium	Medium	Medium	Letters to Jackie: Remembering President			
Lifetime	Dear San	The Twelve Trees of Christmas ('13)				Witches of East End	
MSNBC	Caught	Caught on Camera		To Catch a Predator		Predator Raw	
MTV	Special	Catching	★ What a Girl Wants ('03) Amanda Bynes.				
NFL	NFL GameDay High.		NFL GameDay High.		NFL GameDay High.		GameDay
Nick	Sam &	2013 HALO Awards			Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se
NGEO	Whale	Bigfoot: The New Evidence (N)				Monster	Monster
Oxygen	:00 Snapped	Snapped The search for a missing man.		Snapped: Killer Couples (N) CC		Snapped "Laurie Jean Cone" CC	
Showtime	:00 Homeland	Masters of Sex "All Together Now"		Homeland "A Red Wheel Barrow" (N)		Masters of Sex Filming the study. (N)	
Spike	Rescue	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue (N)	
Starz	:20 ★★ After the Sunset ('04) Pierce Brosnan. CC			★★ Here Comes the Boom ('12, Comedy) Kevin James, Salma Hayek. CC			
SyFy	5:00 ★★ Hulk	★★★ X2: X-Men United ('03, Fantasy) Patrick Stewart, Hugh Jackman. A power-mad militarist pursues the mutants.					
TBS	Knocked Up ('07)	★★ The Change-Up ('11) Ryan Reynolds, Jason Bateman. (P). CC (DVS)				:15 ★★ The Change-Up ('11)	
TCM	Goodbye Girl	★★★ Johnny Eager ('42, Crime Drama) Robert Taylor, Lana Turner. CC				★★★ Johnny Apollo ('40) CC	
TMC	Intolerable Crl	★★ Step Up Revolution ('12, Drama) Ryan Guzman. CC			:40 ★★★ Team America: World Police ('04) Matt Stone		
TNT	We	★★★ Gran Torino ('08, Drama) Clint Eastwood.					Next 3
Travel	Fried	Monumental Myster		Mysteries-Museum		America Declassified	
TV Land	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	
VH1	:00 ★★★ Bad Boys ('95) Will Smith				The Last Boy Scout ('91)		
WGN-A	Funny Videos	America's Funniest Home Videos CC		How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met

TV THIS WEEK

'Almost Human'

TONIGHT: OK, so it's not "RoboCop," but "Almost Human" is a futuristic drama in which human police detectives are paired with android partners to fight crime. Karl Urban and Michael Ealy star. 8 p.m., Fox.

'Letters to Jackie: Remembering President Kennedy'

TONIGHT: "Letters to Jackie: Remembering President Kennedy" is a moving special in which celebrities give voice to some of the more than 800,000 condolence letters received by the White House after the assassination. 9 p.m., TLC.

'The Mentalist'

TONIGHT: On "The Mentalist," the list of suspects who could be the elusive killer Red John has gotten even shorter, and the case becomes CBI's primary concern. 10 p.m., CBS.

'Whoopi Goldberg Presents Moms Mabley'

MONDAY: "Whoopi Goldberg Presents Moms Mabley" is a compelling documentary that has Goldberg paying homage to the pioneering black standup comedian. Included: Commentary from Harry Belafonte, Anne Meara, Robin Williams and others. 9 p.m., HBO.

'LincolnGettysburg'

TUESDAY: Put down your smart phones and check out "LincolnGettysburg." It's a documentary that explores how Abraham Lincoln was the first world leader to use telegraphs to communicate electronically in real time with generals engaged in war. 9 p.m., PBS.

'The Middle'

WEDNESDAY: On "The Middle," Jerry van Dyke and Marsha Mason return as Frankie's overbearing parents for a Thanksgiving feast. Expect bountiful servings of turmoil and hilarity. 8 p.m., ABC.

'Glee'

THURSDAY: Tonight's episode of "Glee" has the New Directions paying tribute to Billy Joel. And fittingly, the antsy McKinley High seniors are looking forward to "Movin' Out." 9 p.m., Fox.

'The Michael J. Fox Show'

THURSDAY: Let's give thanks for this guest star alert: Candice Bergen and Charles Gordin drop by "The Michael J. Fox Show" to take part in turkey-day dinner. They play Mike's parents. 9:30 p.m., NBC.

'Nikita'

FRIDAY: Sadly, we'll soon have to bid goodbye to "Nikita," and one of TV's greatest butt-kickers (Maggie Q). But not before enjoying six final, turbocharged episodes. 9 p.m., The CW.

'Atlantis'

SATURDAY: The new drama, "Atlantis," tells the story of Jason (Jack Donnelly), who washes up on the shores of a strange land that's home to mythical creatures, snake haired Goddesses, and a chubby, aging dude named Hercules. 9 p.m., BBC America.

– From HP Staff and Wire Reports

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Jann Klose, who opens for The Steel City Rovers on Thursday at The Acorn Theater in Three Oaks, is touring in support of "Mosaic," which landed on the first-round ballot for the 2014 Grammy Awards for both pop vocal album and album of the year.

MUSICAL MOSAIC

Eclectic upbringing influences Jann Klose's sound

By JEREMY D. BONFIGLIO
HP Features Writer

THREE OAKS — Singer-songwriter Jann Klose is often associated with the late Tim Buckley.

Part of the comparison comes in Klose's diverse songs that are both personal and topical and infused with a variety of musical and lyrical styles, ranging from reggae and punk to calypso and classic rock to folk and Afro-beat.

There's that, and the fact the Klose can be heard as both the voice and guitar of Buckley in "Greetings From Tim Buckley," Daniel Algrant's indie film that follows the journey Jeff Buckley took grappling with the legacy of his musician father.

"Gary Lucas was involved in the film and he's the one that put my name up for the role," Klose says by telephone from his home in New York City. "Jeff started as the singer in Gary's band, Gods and Monsters, and I met Gary during one of the tribute concerts at The Knitting Factory in Brooklyn. We started writing together and hanging out and we just became friends."

Klose solidified the comparisons by ending his new album, "Mosaic," with an a cappella cover of Tim Buckley's classic "Song To The Siren."

"I fell in love with that song the first time I heard it. It was that simple," says Klose, who opens for the Canadian, Celtic roots band The Steel City Rovers on Thursday at The Acorn Theater. "It's one of those songs that's just perfect. It's so beautiful and tells such a great story. It just touched me immediately."

The other nine songs on "Mosaic," which follows the indie success of 2008's "Reverie" and his 2010 EP, "Sacrifice," proves that Klose also has a story to tell.

Produced by Grammy winner James Frazee (Esperanza Spalding, My Morning Jacket) and David Bendeth (Paramore, Bruce Hornsby, Elvis Presley), "Mosaic" showcases both the depth and diversity in Klose's music.

It's highlighted by the ballad "Still," the up-tempo track "Make It Better," and "Beautiful One," which features supporting vocals from Carrie Newcomer. Other notable guests on the record are guitarists Florian Opahle and David Bendeth, flutist Tia Roper and oboist Megan Marolf.

"David (Bendeth) really pushed us into this more of a rock kind of direction," Klose says. "Then when James (Frazee) came into the picture it just added another facet to what David already had done. I love 'Make It Better.' I love the geeky stuff on it like the tone James got out of the snare drum and stuff like that (laughing). I like the guitar playing that Florian did on the record. I think he killed it. I love Carrie Newcomer singing on 'Beautiful One.' I like the sequencing. I'm happy with the whole record."

Klose attributes his diverse musical sound with his own eclectic upbringing. He was born in Germany, and largely raised in Kenya, South Africa, and eventually Hamburg, Germany, where he graduated high school.

"Growing up in Africa was certainly influential," Klose says. "My parents were fans of African music and we would see a lot of local musicians. The rhythm of that part of the world influenced me as a child. I remember wanting to be a drummer when I was 8 years old. It grabbed me immediately."

Klose first came to the United States as a teenager. He spent a year in Cleveland as an exchange student, and returned to Ohio for college before heading to New York City. He landed roles in the touring productions of Broadway shows "Jekyll & Hyde" and "Jesus Christ Superstar," and portrayed The Pinball Wizard in a New Jersey production of "The Who's Tommy" before he started his band.

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IF YOU GO

▶ **WHAT:** The Steel City Rovers with Jann Klose

▶ **WHEN:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday

▶ **WHERE:** The Acorn Theater, 107 Generations Drive, Three Oaks

▶ **HOW MUCH:** $20

▶ **CONTACT:** 756-3879 or www.acorntheater.com

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★ ENDER'S GAME (PG13)
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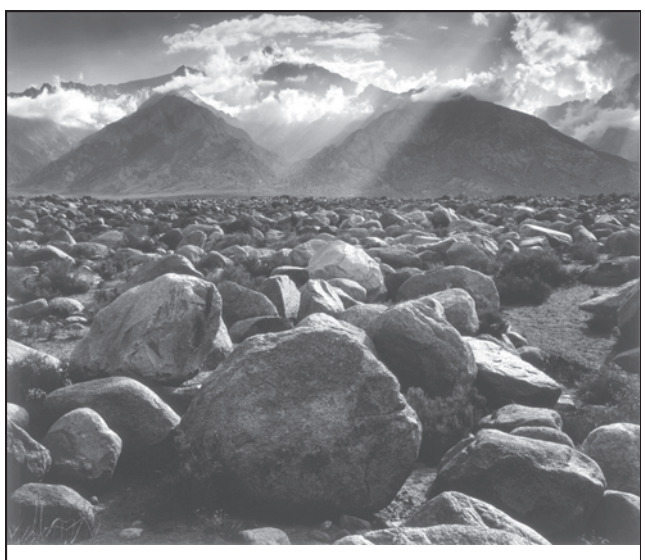

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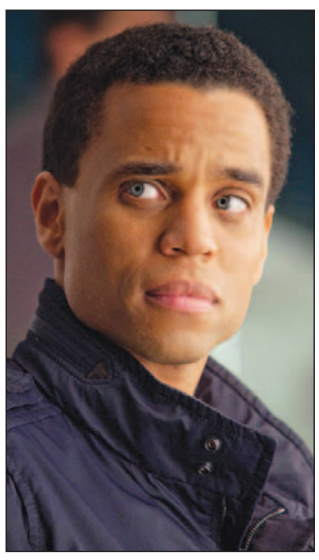
Fox's 'Almost Human' explores what it means to be human

By RICK BENTLEY
The Fresno Bee



Karl Urban (above) plays a part-human, part-machine cop in "Almost Human," and Michael Ealy (left) plays his partner, an android named Dorian. The series premieres at 8 p.m. Sunday.
FOX photos

LOS ANGELES — Actors rely heavily on their instincts – based on life experiences – when playing a role. Michael Ealy has to do just the opposite to play the android partner of a cranky cop on the new Fox futuristic drama "Almost Human."

The series, premiering Sunday, is the last launch of new network programming for the 2013-14 TV season.

"As an actor, you tend to draw on your human instincts and your background, what you've gone through as an individual. And the hardest things in terms of playing Dorian is to act like I don't have that and to bring that kind of innocence to him that he doesn't have," Ealy says. "He observes it, and he learns from it."

The series takes place approximately 30 years in the future and being a cop has become even more dangerous, which is why every human officer is assigned an android partner. Karl Urban – best known for grousing his way across the cosmos as Bones in the updated "Star Trek" films – plays John Kennex, a cop who finds having an android partner as appealing as being given a blender to fight crime.

Kennex is forced to take on a partner and is teamed with Dorian (Ealy), an android from a discontinued line. Unlike all of the other robot partners, Dorian has the ability to feel emotions.

Ealy, last seen on the USA Network series "Common Law," had fears about playing an android – he would never have a love interest. He got past his misgiving by looking at the role in a larger spotlight. He realized he would be pushed in other areas – such as the buddy cop elements – and that would make the character fun to play.

"Almost Human" is the latest series to launch on network television dealing with sci-fi and fantasy elements. The others have featured vampires, fairy tale characters and headless horsemen. "Almost Human" executive producer J.H. Wyman explains that the android element isn't new but every effort is being made to be different.

"I think we've all seen the robot that longs to be human. We felt that, to tell the story we wanted to tell, that it was probably better for us to have a robot that was more human than he could handle and sort of trying to understand what he is versus wanting and longing to be something he's not. So that was our way in," Wyman says. "I think that it's such an incredible arena to tell great stories about the human condition in ways that are unique and that you really haven't seen on network television before."

And the human element of that examination will fall to Urban, who plays a cop who's broken both physically and emotionally. Urban's happy his new series isn't offering a dystopian vision of the future.

"This is a future that is immediately accessible. We've still got mortgages. Mom and dad still take the kids to soccer. In this slightly futuristic vision, society is dealing with elements and difficulties that are just a little bit beyond the curve for us, and I find that interesting," Urban says. "We play characters who are really at the frontline of protecting the society against the misapplication of, whether it be genetics or robotics, or anything like that.

"And the wonderful thing that I think the show does is it really sort of questions us. It makes us, as an audience, ask what does it mean to be human? And if I was in that situation, how I would react? And I think that's a key of all good shows."

'Almost Human'

The two-part premiere airs from 8-9 p.m. Sunday and Monday on Fox.

Popular robots and androids on TV

"Almost Human" is dealing with a familiar TV element by having an android as a main character. Androids and robots in television shows have been around for decades. Here's a look at a few:

"The Jetsons" (1962): In the future, robots like Rosie don't have a very good union.

"AstroBoy" (1963-66): Animated series based on the work of Osamu Tezuka, with a boy powered by atomic energy. He's the only android who had to go to school.

"Get Smart" (1964-67): Hymie the Robot (Dick Gautier) was created by KAOS but eventually works for CONTROL.

"Lost In Space" (1965-68): Danger, danger, Will Robinson. The robot known as Robot was always on hand to help the family.

"Logan's Run" (1977-78): A male android known as REM (Donald Moffat) joins Logan 5 (Gregory Harrison) and Jessica 6 (Heather Menzies) as they look for Sanctuary.

"Battlestar Galactica" (1978-79) and (2003-09): The Cylons went from mechanical men to very human looking in the different incarnations of this space Western.

"Buck Rogers in the 25th Century" (1979-80): De-be-de-be-de. Felix Silla plays Buck's sidekick Twiki. Think R2-D2 with legs.

"Small Wonder" (1985-89): A family must deal with the Voice Input Child Indenticant robot known as Vicki (Tiffany Brissette).

"Star Trek: The Next Generation" (1987-94): Brent Spiner beamed into the role of the android Lieutenant Commander Data, who had a curiosity about human emotions.

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"One of the reasons I walked away from musical theater is because I wanted to write music," Klose says. "I missed being a writer and that really drove me to record again and record more."

Earlier this year, not long after "Mosaic" entered the roots radio charts above Bruce Springsteen, Sheryl Crow and Wilco, the album landed on the first round ballot for the 2014 Grammy Awards for both pop vocal album and album of the year.

Klose, however, hasn't exactly stopped to smell the roses. In addition to his current tour of the U.S. and Europe, he's already writing songs for a new album, and plans on recording a live album in 2014.

"That's the plan right now anyway," Klose says, laughing. "It all takes time and effort and persistence. It's all a process. All you can do is just keep working hard and see how it all develops."

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Barrence Whitfield and the Savages resume soul rampage

By GREG KOT
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Complacency is no match for the human hurricane known as Barrence Whitfield. His recent reunion with the Savages came after decades apart, but time melts away as soon as band co-founders Peter Greenberg, Phil Lenker and Whitfield slam into the first chord each night in front of their typically jacked-up fans.

"The show really hasn't changed that much – there is sweat from head to toe," Whitfield says in an interview on a rare day off from touring. "It's like going through saunas and rain showers, and after our hour and 45 minutes, I'm in a shirt that needs to be washed three times."

The band's first show at Babson College outside Boston in the early '80s set the tone. "The intensity, it was there from the beginning," the singer says. "I'd get on stage and the music and the crowd reaction hit you, and I'm feeding off that. One night I was rolling on the stage, then I jumped onto a chandelier in the middle of the room and the crowd caught me before I fell to the floor and killed myself. Pretty soon people are following us around on tour, wanting that fix. One night I jumped off stage and I acted like I had an epileptic fit, wiggling on the floor. I opened my eyes and looked to my side, and there are five guys in the audience doing the same thing, rolling around like crazy people."

The band's latest album, "Dig Thy Savage Soul," on Chicago-based Bloodshot Records, is a blowtorch combo of garage rock and soul – but it's just a prelude to what happens when the quintet performs live.

"We're living at a time when people go to shows and they don't see the kind of stuff we do anymore," the singer says. "People pay their money and they may sing and clap, but no one is starting a riot, getting people riled up. People are looking at their cellphones now. If they use 'em at our shows, they're texting their friends saying, 'You need to get your butt over here right now.'"

Whitfield arrived in Boston in the late '70s to attend Boston University after growing up in New Jersey. Music was a constant companion at home, with heavy doses of James Brown, Temptations and Wilson Pickett, and "on Sunday morning, no one touched the radio between 8 and noon because that's when the gospel music came on as I was getting myself ready for church, right across the street from my house."

The budding singer later became infatuated with rock, particularly Led Zeppelin and King Crimson. "I'd be in a battle of the bands show and we would open with (Zeppelin's) 'Immigrant Song.' I'd hit those high notes and jaws would hit the floor because here was this black guy sounding like Robert Plant."

In Boston, that voice caught the attention of Greenberg, a fixture on the scene with his garage bands DMZ and Lyres. "Peter wanted me to scream and shout like Little Richard and Esquerita (Little Richard influence Eskew Reader), molded into the garage rock, where he was coming from, plus rockabilly," Whitfield says. "No one was really doing that at the time, and they still aren't."

The band burned through hundreds of shows and released two studio albums prized by roots-music aficionados, and won rave reviews from fans such as Elvis Costello and Plant. Then the Savages splintered. Whitfield soldiered on for a few more records with new lineups and then went solo, his music becoming far more popular in Europe than it was in America.

All was quiet on the Savages front until 2010, when a respected U.K. label, Ace Records, reissued the band's self-titled 1984 debut album. "That's how me and Peter got to talking again," Whitfield says. "He had moved to Taos (New Mexico) and was back into music. I offered to do some vocals for him anytime, and two weeks later he calls me back: 'Are you ready to go? I've booked some dates.'"

They marked their reunion with an album, "Savage Kings," released in 2011 on a Spanish label. The self-financed follow-up, "Dig Thy Savage Soul," is even better, as it expands Greenberg's songwriting collaboration with lyricist Mike Mooney. Whereas once the band relied on covers to carry its albums, originals such as "Oscar Levant," about the darkly witty entertainer, and the sinister "Hangman's Token" show a different and more cerebral side to the Savages.

"We're finding new genres to expand," Whitfield says, "without losing the old energy and craziness."

Sean 'Diddy' Combs hopes music lovers will Revolt

By RYAN FAUGHNDER
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Alan Win (left) and Steve Blum work in the control room at the new Revolt TV studio in Hollywood. Andy Schuon, formerly of MTV, is partnering with Sean "Diddy" Combs to create a new TV presence for music videos in hopes of bringing back the MTV format for the millennials.

LOS ANGELES — When music mogul Sean "Diddy" Combs launched his television channel last month, he did so with a shout-out to hip-hop history.

Standing in front of the childhood home of the late hip-hop legend Notorious B.I.G., Combs introduced Revolt TV, a 24-hour music video and news channel in the vein of MTV's early days, before it became a reality TV hub.

"To all the dreamers out there, all the believers out there, all the people that want a change in music, the time has come now," he said, referring to himself with his old moniker "Puff Daddy," before counting down to the kickoff.

Revolt is Combs' attempt to revive music television for the age demographic of those 18 to 34, also known as millennials, by delivering programming driven in part by social media – a contrarian bet at a time when Revolt's target demographic seems to be more interested in consuming music and news on the Internet.

Combs, whose company, Combs Enterprises, owns Revolt, has made a name for himself as an entrepreneur and marketing force through endeavors such as his deal with the liquor brand Ciroc. He is worth $580 million, according to Forbes' estimates, and ranked No. 1 on the magazine's list of wealthiest hip-hop artists, ahead of Jay-Z and Dr. Dre.

Andy Schuon, Revolt's co-founder and president, led MTV's programming and production through much of the 1990s. He said that television has recently lacked a compelling offering for young music fans, though music itself is more popular than ever.

"We're taking advantage of this incredible timing in the music space," Schuon said. "The consumption and availability of music has never been greater, but there hasn't been a new music experience on television for years."

Combs' channel is part of a diversity effort by Comcast Corp., which said last year that it would launch four independent channels targeting minorities.

Revolt launched in October for Time Warner Cable and Comcast Xfinity TV subscribers in markets including New York, Los Angeles and Chicago, and because only Time Warner Cable and Comcast carry the channel, it does not reach many homes yet. Revolt, which airs videos from a variety of music genres, is not rated by Nielsen and the channel would not disclose viewership statistics.

It currently broadcasts from its New York and Hollywood studios, and it plans to open a big studio in January at the Hollywood & Highland Center, where it will introduce shows such as "Revolt Live," an hour-long evening program similar to MTV's former flagship music show "Total Request Live."

But the new channel comes at a time when young adults and teenagers tend to use YouTube and other Web services to consume music-related content, and newer TV efforts such as Madison Square Garden Co.'s Fuse have struggled to take hold.

Revolt is available only to people who subscribe to a pay-TV package, and that's something that fewer young people are doing, which could pose a challenge, said Dan Cryan, an analyst with IHS Screen Digest.

Although music videos are popular on YouTube and Vevo – Miley Cyrus' "Wrecking Ball" has more than 300 million views to date – they have not been good business for TV channels, said Jonathan Taplin, director of the Innovation Lab at University of Southern California's Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism.

Furthermore, Taplin said, YouTube has become the top destination for music fans because it enables people to watch what they want when they want to. "People want to program their own music video habits," he said. "It's a pull business, and television is a push business."

But Schuon said that the amount of online music listening proves that there's a market for Revolt. He touted the channel's Web presence and said Revolt is also counting on social media to drive interest and generate feedback to improve its content.

"Twitter's our dance floor," Schuon said. "We'll know we're clearing it right away if we do something wrong."

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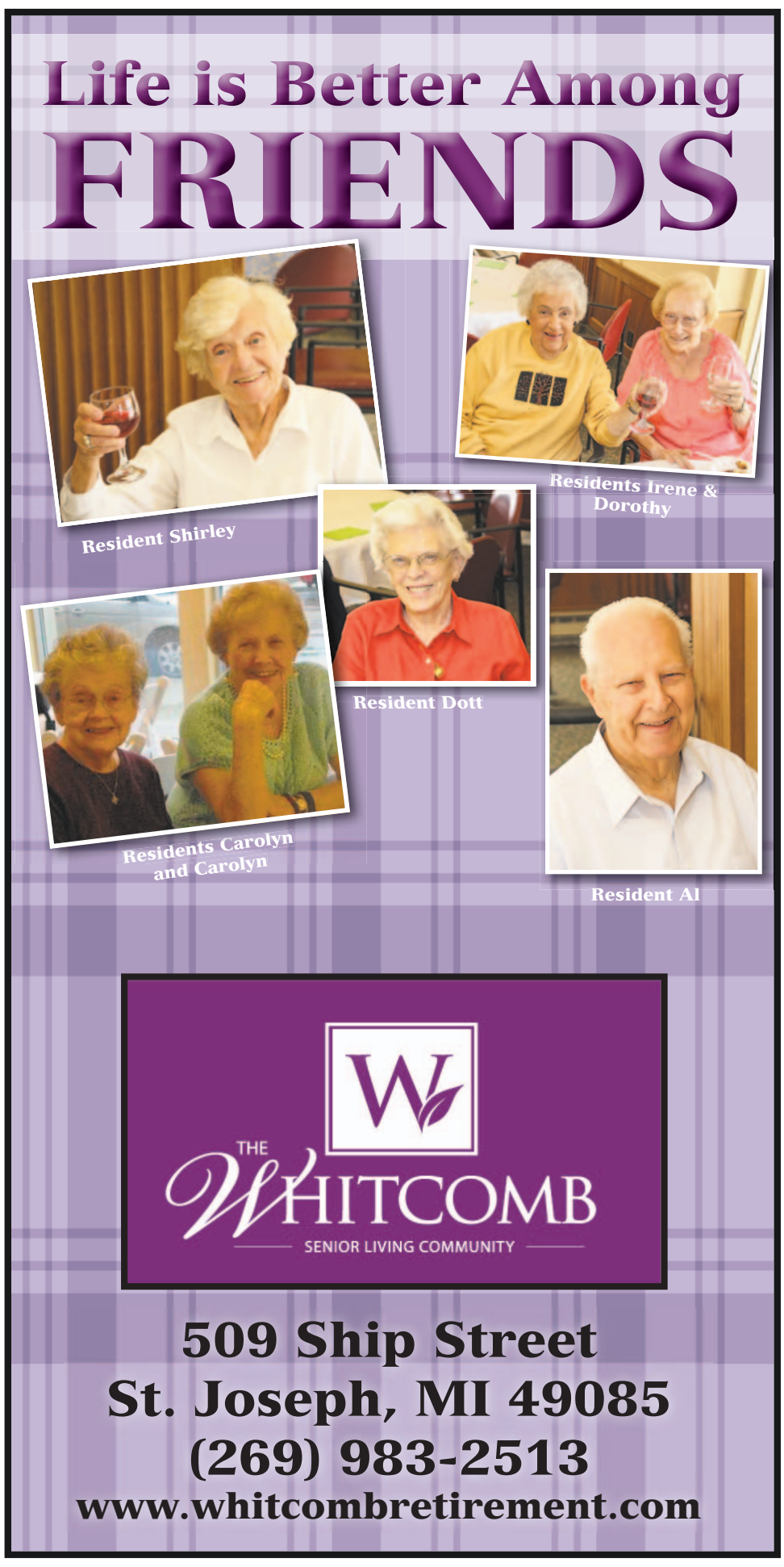

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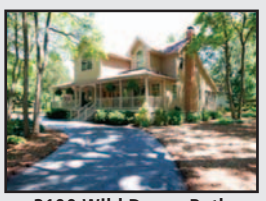
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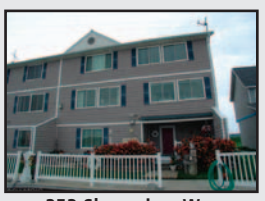
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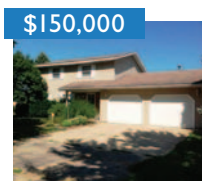
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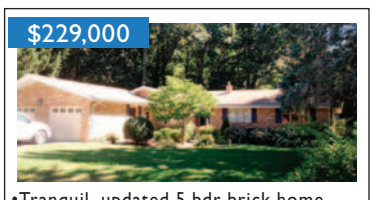
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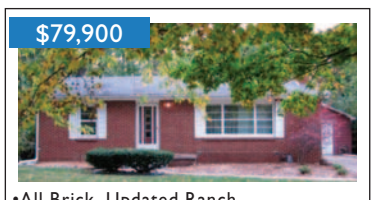
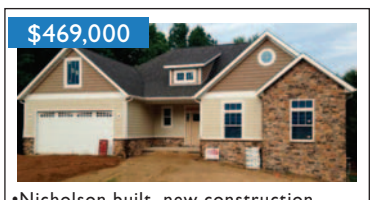

- All Brick, Updated Ranch
- HW Floors, Fireplace w/Oak Mantle
- Kitchen has new SS Appliances
- Countertops and Flooring
- St. Joseph Twp #H-13061183

$469,000

- Nicholson built, new construction
- 5 bdr, 3 full baths, full bsmt-walkout
- Large, open rooms, wet bar, ceramic
- Fireplace, cull-de-sac, wooded lot
- Stevensville #L-13050001

$131,000

- Charming arts & crafts home
- downtown St Joseph,park like yard
- walk to beaches, shopping, etc.
- Beautiful HW floors and trim
- St. Joseph #L-13047567

$349,900

- WATERFRONT condo. Coded elevator
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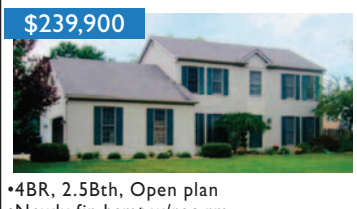
- 4BR, 2.5Bth, Open plan
- Newly fin bsmt w/rec rm
- New deck, w/covered area
- Lakeshore schools, corner lot
- Stevensville # S-13047869

$329,000

- PRIVATE RIVER FRONTAGE. 3 bdr 2ba
- Brick ranch over an acre great views
- 2 sided frpl, Lrg covered back porch
- Lots of built-ins lots of storage space!
- St. Joseph #R-13047635

$94,900

- Charming Well Built Home!
- 4 Bedroom, 1 ½ Bath
- Move-In Ready, Hardwood Fl
- Finished Fam Rm in Basement
- Coloma #S-13031638

$85,000

- Spacious ranch w/4 bdr, 1.5 baths
- Lg corner lot in N Nile Village of Sumnerville
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- Det garage, full bsmt
- finished rec room. Niles #I-13045855

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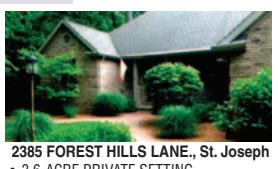

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Directions: From downtown St. Joe Main St (M-63) north over bridge to left on Mornany Dr, left on Upton Dr to slight right on Marina. Marina Dr becomes Ridgeway, follow to the end which is N Pier. Left to house
- Lake MI Views / Channel Front Home
- 3 bed / 3 bath, 3284 SF
- Contemporary, Open Floor Plan

$589,000
Hosted by Mark

OPEN HOUSE 1-3PM

Delightful Home
Address: 3947 Kristine, St. Joseph
Directions: Glenlord Rd to North on Kristine
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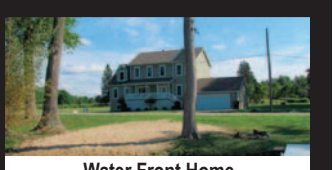

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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSE 1-3 PM

2606 Thayer- St. Joseph
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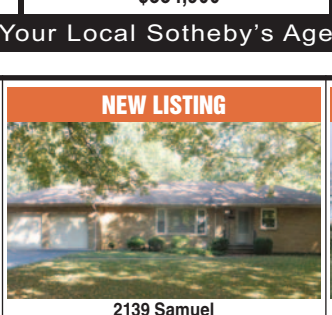

2139 Samuel
Full brick 3 large bd/1.5 bths. Replacement windows, upgraded electrical, fresh paint, some hardwood floors, eat-in kitchen plus a formal dining area. Enjoy the privacy of the .65 acre lot. $119,900 Linda Mawhinney 269-921-4555.

NEW LISTING

2127 Old US 31 Niles
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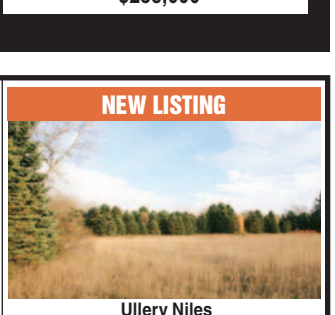

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PERSONALS

I Billy Hicks am in search of 3 sisters: Rosa Hicks Donaldson, Ruthie Lee Hicks and Samella Hicks. Last known address: 415 Butternut Ally, Benton Harbor,call 214 492-9511

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SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Make it your business to coordinate events and set plans. Please the people you love most by showing how much you care. You can improve your love life by expressing your feelings.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Get your priorities straight and keep your promises. Do whatever it takes to avoid an encounter with someone in an authoritative position. A domestic change looks promising.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Make plans with the older or younger people in your life. Activities that include the whole family will improve relationships and bring you all closer together.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Keep a smile on your face and a positive attitude. Don't worry about what others do or say. A decision and a new beginning will help you get back on track.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Find a way to make changes to the way you handle your cash, deal with your creditors or handle the debt owed to you. A joint venture will turn into a profit.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Put your attention on what matters the most to you. A relationship will get a pick-me-up if you are affectionate and attentive. What you put out, you will get in return.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't rely on someone else to take care of your chores. Disappointment will surface and complaints will be made if you shirk your duties. Once the work is done, you'll be free to do as you please.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Travel to a place that promises to be entertaining. Enjoying time with friends and relatives or meeting new people will brighten your day and help you make an important personal decision.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Take control of your life and change whatever is necessary to build confidence and obtain greater security. Don't wait for someone else to make choices for you.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Keep an open mind when offered suggestions. Taking an overall view of a situation and using a variety of ideas will bring you closer to a workable solution.

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Crossword Answers F2

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Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"LOGICAL CONNECTIONS"
By C.C. BURNIKEL

ACROSS
1 Like Narcissus
5 Tiny tiff
9 The pyramids, for 28-Across
14 Yawn
18 Two-time Italian prime minister Moro
19 Zero __
20 Troubled greatly
21 Affected
22 Rewards for Fido
23 Kitchen add-on?
24 Imaginary kids' author
26 Missouri River city
28 Pyramid figures
30 Flies into a rage
31 NFL commissioner since 2006
33 [Like that!]
34 Scrub
35 Deems proper
38 "The Newsroom" channel
41 "Oh no!"
44 Miss the mark
45 Bob and bun
46 Cold cube in Cologne
47 Sign of life
49 Zeus or Thor
52 Job interview subject
54 Bausch & Lomb brand
55 Bitty bites
56 End of time?
57 Calendar rows: Abbr.
58 Prank
60 Gave a darn?
62 Indulge, with "on"
63 Lamb's lament
64 Bitty bits
67 Utter
69 "Toy Story" composer Newman
71 Water__: dental gadget
73 Us, in Cannes
75 Relevant, to lawyers
77 Unlit?
80 1996 Olympic torch lighter
81 Short-range weapons
83 Too colorful
86 Pure delight
87 Sport with orange balls, perhaps
89 Lynne Cheney's predecessor
91 Kept under wraps
92 U.K. record label
93 Paper Mate rival
94 "Eww, spare me the details!"
95 Panda Express cooker
96 California's Marina __ Rey
97 Toaster treat
99 Henchmen
101 Interpol home, locally
103 Hand-crafted belts, e.g.
108 Grocery load
111 "Carmen" aria
113 Kama __
114 Vision-distorting condition caused by a few too many cold ones, slangily
116 Close link
118 Baseball feature
119 Small part
120 Square one
121 Being aired
122 Logical connection hidden in eight puzzle answers
123 Wild plum
124 Support staff: Abbr.
125 Unwanted sprout
126 Slugger who hit his first home run off Clemens

DOWN
1 Steam, e.g.
2 Texas landmark
3 Luggage clip-on
4 Bites
5 Every other hurricane
6 Mishmash
7 Name on a spine
8 Tire pattern
9 They may be hot
10 "Lawrence of Arabia" star
11 John Wesley's relig.
12 Words of disgust
13 Holy mlle.
14 Occasionally awkward show of affection
15 Perching on
16 Hushed "Hey!"
17 Spud's buds
21 Bhopal Shatabdi Express stop
25 Flat rate?
27 Like most golf shots
29 Patch, as a lawn
32 Bridge immortal
33 Assent showing respeto
36 Close tight
37 Let go
39 Detailed
40 Yodo River city
41 Razor handle
42 "Big Brother" host Julie
43 Gambian-born "Roots" character
45 Teaspoons, maybe
47 Fusses in front of a mirror, say
48 Model/actress Pataky
50 Nantes night
51 Rte. finder
52 Apple product
53 Jazz legend James
56 Sprouts-to-be
59 Scam artists
61 Berth place
65 Keep from drifting away
66 Operation VIP
68 Dig find
70 Big name in rap
71 Bear hands
72 Trojan War epic
74 Jazz dance
76 Swabbing need
78 Gateway Arch designer Saarinen
79 Smell bad
82 Made a touchdown
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'It was real special'
Michigan wide receiver Adrian Arrington catches a 26-yard touchdown pass in front of Wisconsin defensive back Aaron Henry during the second half of Saturday's game.
Marry Gleb / AP
Another crafty QB gets U-M
Donovan, Wisconsin upset Wolverines
By CHRIS JENKINS
AP Sports Writer
MADISON, Wis. — Once again, the Michigan Wolverines are reeling from an unexpected defeat.
And Wisconsin has the fleet feet of Tyler Donovan to thank for it.
Wisconsin's fifth-year senior quarterback frustrated Michigan's defense with his scrambling ability on Saturday, throwing for one touchdown and running for another in the Badgers' 37-21 upset of the 13th-ranked Wolverines.
Donovan finished the game on the sideline with a nasty welt and stripes of blue paint on
"The disappointment in this game is that you play to win. Any time you don't win, you're disappointed. We still have some things to play for."
LLOYD CARR
Michigan football coach
Michigan (8-3, 6-1) from the Big Ten title race or a Rose Bowl appearance, but the Wolverines have to beat the Buckeyes next week — something they haven't done since 2003.
"The disappointment in this game is that you play to win," Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said. "Any time you don't win,
Wisconsin 37 Michigan 21
Don Campbell / H-P staff
St. Joseph's Ethan Schweir fires a pass while under pressure from Lansing Sexton's Marquil Nelson (58) during the second half of Saturday's game.
St. Joseph comes from 21-0 deficit to beat Lansing Sexton, win Division 3 regional championship
By AL AREND
H-P Sports Writer
ST. JOSEPH — Elliot Uzelac has coached at higher levels of football for 40 years, but he felt St. Joseph's come-from-behind regional championship victory Saturday over Lansing Sexton ranks right at the top.
"I think this win here, in all honesty, might be the best win I've ever had," said the emotional Bears coach, a former head coach at Western Michigan and the Naval Academy, and an assistant at Michigan. "There's so much invested in each other. The kids with us (coaches) and us with the kids. I didn't want them to go down. It was real special."
Trailing 21-0 after the first quarter, the undefeated Bears rallied for an exciting 42-27 victory, tying the school record of the 1988 state runner-up team for the most
St. Joseph 42 Lansing Sexton 27
St. Joseph's Mike Mavis (66), Josh Weaver (33) and John Schwei
Sexton's Carlous Kelly during the second half of Saturday's game.
See BEARS, page D8
MSU basketball hopes to make long tou
By TIM MARTIN
Associated Press Writer
EAST LANSING — Tom Izzo's voice had reached mid-season form, which is to say it was exceedingly hoarse, just a few days after Michigan State began preseason practices.
His practice drills are draining and demanding. His schedule remains packed year-round.
And while Izzo likes to talk about the recent past of his Spartan program, he spends even more time these days talking about its future. All are signs that the fiery Izzo remains as intense as ever as he prepares for his 13th season as Michigan State's head coach.
"I think every year, every day is a new day," Izzo said in anticipation of the 2007-08 season, which the Spartans open at home Tuesday against Chicago State. "I hope I keep approaching it that way."
The 52-year-old Izzo has built the Spartans into one of the nation's most successful and consistent programs in the past decade. Michigan State enters this season ranked No. 8 in The Associated Press poll and favored to win the Big Ten title.
The Spartans have qualified for 10 straight NCAA tournaments – the second-longest streak in Big Ten history and the fifth-longest active streak in the nation.
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Al Goldis / AP
Michigan State coach Tom Izzo is shown during an exhibition basketball game against Grand Valley State on Nov. 2.

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The singing of this country's national anthem takes place all over the country at the beginning of most large gatherings. Who are these singers?
Seven singers from Southwest Michigan talked to me recently about their experiences singing the "Star Spangled Banner" this season for the South Bend Silverhawks Minor League Baseball Team at Coveleski Stadium.
Several of them read about the opportunity to audition in The Herald-Palladium. Most of them were concerned about the possibility of an echo from the sound system but were happy to report that didn't happen. All of the ones I talked to enjoyed the experience and would do it again.
Meg Simpson of St. Joseph, a graduate of Lakeshore High School, sang in mid-April.
"It was the day of Virginia Tech and they called for a moment of silence," she said. "I had been at work all day and I was absolutely clueless."
The singers stand just behind home plate facing the fans. She stood there and after the moment passed, she sang.
With the support of her friends and family, she arrived early, went through the offices and basement through a hallway leading to home plate.
"I chilled there for a little while – and then stood out at the end of the gate. They told me where to stand and where to face."
She gets very nervous before she sings. "I get really sick, but once I start singing, I'm completely fine."
It was one of those cold April days.
"It was freezing," she said. "The cold can affect singers' voices, so I keep something wrapped around my throat. I'm accustomed to keeping my voice healthy."
Even though it was so cold, people came up to her afterward and took the time to talk to her, telling her how good she was and asking how long she has been studying music. One person said "Wow, you are really good."
"It was great fun," she said. "I would do it again in a heartbeat."
Singing comes naturally to Simpson. "I was singing before I could talk," she said.
Simpson has been studying music since she was in the
Arts Notes
San Dee Wallace
Contributed photo
MEG SIMPSON of St. Joseph sings the national anthem at a Lakeshore High School basketball game. She is one of several area residents who sang the national anthem this season for the South Bend Silverhawks.
Art for the fun of it
Photos by Don Campbell / H-P staff
HARRY BORGMAN of Sawyer shows off one of his comic book cover parodies (more are seen below) at the Box Factory in St. Joseph. A show of Borgman's work will be on display at the Box Factory from July 6 to Aug. 6.
Artist parodies comic book covers in Box Factory exhibit
If you go
WHAT: "Comics as Art," an exhibit by Harry Borgman of Sawyer. Also a summer exhibit by members of the Berrien Artist Guild
WHEN: Friday through Aug. 6 with a reception from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and 1 to 4 p.m. Sundays
WHERE: Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph
HOW MUCH: Free; call 983-3688

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BUSINESS PEOPLE
Abonmarche adds four to its staff
By LOUISE WREGE
H-P Correspondent
Abonmarche in Benton Harbor has hired four people and promoted another. The company offers engineering, architectural, marina/waterfront design, surveying, landscape architectural and planning services.
Rick Smigielski is a senior project engineer, responsible for the design of municipal infrastructure projects. He also aids in the preparation of utility/street grants and state and federal permits. Smigielski worked for Abonmarche at its South Bend office from 1997 to 2004, then was director of public services in Buchanan.
SMIGIELSKI
David Horne is a project manager for the marina/waterfront division. He is responsible for the design and construction administration of marina projects, which includes management of bathymetric surveying and preparation of state and federal grant applications and permits. (Bathymetry is the science of measuring the depths of bodies of water.)
HORNE
Horne was an engineer and site manager for five years for Great Lakes Dredge and Dock, where he was responsible for dredging and beach nourishment projects throughout the United States and the Middle East.
Nathan Flickner rejoins Abonmarche as a survey crew chief. He worked for the company at its South Bend office from 1999 to 2005, then was a construction field manager for Hallmark Homes in Anderson, Ind. He is responsible for all aspects of land surveying, with a focus on construction staking.
FLICKNER
Kris Kearney was named marketing coordinator for the company's four offices. She is responsible for developing and implementing corporate marketing strategies, creating print and Web advertising and assisting with the preparation of grants and proposals. For the past six years, she was owner/operator of CME Solutions, which provided communications, marketing and event management services. She has experience in the development of marketing materials, primarily for the construction industry.
KEARNEY
Jennifer Jacobs has been promoted to administrative assistant. She is responsible for assisting in the development of marketing materials and maintaining databases related
JACOBS
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The Italian connection
Fennville company rules the U.S. market on delicious gelato
By KRISTIN HAY
H-P Correspondent
FENNVILLE — Order gelato – Italian ice cream – at a restaurant anywhere in the United States and there's a chance it was made in Fennville.
The Palazzolo's Artisan Gelato & Sorbetto plant in that Allegan County community supplies about 2,000 restaurants and cafes nationwide, including some in Southwest Michigan, according to Pete Palazzolo, the company's chief executive officer.
The business evolved from Palazzolo's Italian Specialties, a restaurant that Pete Palazzolo and his mother, Marie, operated in Saugatuck before they founded Palazzolo's Gelato and Sorbetto in 1986.
Pete Palazzolo, 38, was involved in the restaurant from the beginning. He used to wait on tables at age 15. "My mom treated me like a partner," he said. "My opinion counted." Marie Palazzolo now is manager of the company's retail division.
Palazzolo's Artisan Gelato and Sorbetto operated in Saugatuck until it moved to an existing industrial building in Fennville in May.
"We are the only artisan gelato factory in the U.S. and possibly the world," Pete Palazzolo said.
"Artisan" means the company makes the products from raw ingredients with no artificial flavors, he explained. There are other gelato factories in the United States, but they use additives. Many businesses make gelato in Italy, but usually in small batches, he said.
Palazzolo explained a key difference between gelato and the ice cream that is typically sold in grocery stores and ice cream shops in the United States is the air content.
The company strives to have no more than 20 percent air in its products, made possible by specialized equipment, leaving a denser, creamier ice cream. With less air, Palazzolo's doesn't have to use a high butterfat cream. Regular ice creams can have an air content of 80 percent or more.
One finds surprises in a scoop of gelato, such as shavings of dark rich Swiss or Venezuelan chocolate, bits of Tahitian vanilla bean or pieces of zingy coffee beans.
The company makes 600 flavors of gelato and sorbetto. The gelato is made with fresh cream and sometimes eggs, and the sorbetto (in French cuisine, called sorbet), with a blend of fruit and fruit juices. Each batch is made to order.
Some of the more exotic flavors are Coconut Pineapple Rum, Champagne Pomegranate and Honey Lavender.
Palazzolo's produces more than 50 chocolate flavors made with chocolate from Mexico, Venezuela and the Netherlands. The company make more than a dozen coffee flavors and sorbetto with fresh fruits ranging from apples to kiwi.
Pete Palazzolo began to build the business after he graduated from Aquinas College in 1991 with a degree in business.
The demand for gelato and sorbetto grew so much that he and his mother decided to wholesale their products to area restaurants, where they found a niche, especially in fine dining restaurants. Palazzolo's Artisan Gelato and Sorbetto has 15 full-time employees.
"We are trying to do things differently," Palazzolo said. "We are an intimate family business."
In the late 1990s, the business expanded in a new direction. There was an explosion of coffee shops, opening up a new opportunity for the business. The Palazzolos discovered that gelato and cappuccino go well together, so six years ago, they began selling gelato cases, café bars and counters of all kinds to food establishments.
Palazzolo works on the designs with a team of designers in Tuscany, Italy, where the cases, bars and counters are manufactured. He is the only representative of the Italian company in the United States
What is gelato?
Gelato is Italian ice cream that is denser that most U.S. ice creams because no air is whipped into it during processing. It also uses cream with less butterfat than most U.S. ice creams.
A tub of creamy gelato, produced by Palazzolo's Artisan Gelato & Sorbetto in Fennville.
Palazzolo's photos
Pete Palazzolo, chief executive officer of Palazzolo's Artisan Gelato & Sorbetto in Fennville, holds a tub of gelato produced by his company.
On the Net: www.4gelato.com
On the production line at Palazzolo's Artisan Gelato & Sorbetto are gelato chef Scott Moore (wearing cap) and general manager Zack Zerfas, who has worked for the company for 14 years. Zerfas is CEO Pete Palazzolo's brother-in-law.
Rising price of helium affects party retailers
By JULIA GLICK
The Press-Enterprise (Riverside, Ca.)
Customers don't believe balloon-seller Darlene Jaycocks when she tells them she cannot accept last-minute birthday party orders because of a global helium shortage.
But Jaycocks counts herself lucky.
Shortfalls in world production and rising demand for the gas – which is used in welding, manufacturing microchips and in hospital MRI machines – have left other balloon suppliers without any helium at all.
Businesses that can get the helium are paying sky-high prices.
"There is just not enough helium to supply everywhere," said Jaycocks, owner of Balloony Tunes Party Center in Cathedral City, Calif. "I don't think people really understand. ... They just think it's out there floating around."
"Demand for helium is ballooning."
HANS STUART
U.S. Bureau of Land Management
While abundant in the universe, the lighter-than-air gas is a limited natural resource on earth, generally found trapped in natural-gas deposits underground. Helium extractors recover it from natural-gas fields that in the United States are mostly found in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.
An array of industrial uses of helium, such as cooling MRI magnets or manufacturing semiconductors, lasers and telecommunication cables are driving up global demand. Meanwhile, supply is stagnant, said Hans Stuart of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, one of the world's largest suppliers of crude helium to private refineries.
"Demand for helium is ballooning," said Stuart, chief of external affairs for the bureau's New Mexico office. "A number of plants in the private sector are not up to full capacity. And there is also the issue of where do we get new helium. What is going to happen in the future?"
Mark Hinds and his son own Sparks Custom Shop in Pomona, Calif. They weld engine heads and cylinder blocks for race cars, and use about 300 cubic feet of helium a week to prevent the metal from warping.
The price Hinds pays for helium has jumped almost 60 percent in the past two years and customers complain, he said. "The price just keeps going up," he said. "It is hard to keep up."
But for balloon sellers, who are at the bottom of the helium food chain, shortage means that the smallest interruption or glitch on the supply side can leave them without any helium at all, Stuart said.
Matt McKinney, past-president of the International Balloon Association, is vice president of marketing for Santa Ana, Calif.-based All-American Balloon Supply, which wholesales helium to about 900 party stores and balloon artists.
While All-American is meeting its customers' needs, other smaller helium suppliers face restrictions, he said. Some simply cannot make all their deliveries to party stores and other clients, he said.
Jaycocks now charges $1.25 for an 11-inch helium balloon, which sold at her store for 95 cents about a year ago.
Customers sometimes grumble, she said. Still, her main concern is that she could one day run out of helium altogether. She cannot get rush orders of the gas anymore, she said. A few times, her regular shipments came late
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Help for stuck wheels

Dear Tom and Ray: I have a 2-year-old Camry, and I like to work on my cars. I live in northwestern Montana. Great place! But we have snow. I have a complete set of studded tires, and I am quite happy changing out all four tires twice a year. But I cannot get the wheels off the car myself – either set! I have changed wheels for 60 years, but I can't seem to remove these. I had the dealer do it, and watched at the garage as they pounded on them with sledgehammers. I asked the service manager, and he told me that this is not an uncommon problem. What if my wife or I get a flat tire and need to remove a wheel? Did I mention I live in remote northwest Montana? The service manager told me that if that happens, I should loosen the lug nuts and drive it for a while, and the wheels will come loose. Is that really good advice? – Nick

Ray & Tom Magliozzi
Click & Clack

Tom: This is a pretty common problem, Nick, especially in parts of the country where snow, salt and rust are prevalent.

Ray: What happens is that there's a protrusion on the hub, over which the hole at the center of the wheel slides. The wheel is then secured to the hub with the lug nuts.

Tom: That hole in the center of the wheel just barely fits around the hub's protrusion. So if you have steel wheels, which I'm sure you do, and you have snow, salt and rust, which I know you do, the wheel and hub can become sort of fused with rust over time. That's what makes the wheel hard to remove.

Ray: Brute force tends to be the tool of choice for this job. That's why you saw the repair guys going at the wheels with sledgehammers.

Tom: My brother wasn't paying attention when they taught this in mechanic school, so he also uses his sledgehammer for computer repair – less successfully.

Ray: But more satisfyingly.

Tom: What we do when we change a customer's wheels in the snow belt is first take some sandpaper and clean off any rust or budding corrosion that we find on the inside of the hole in the wheel or on the outside of the hub protrusion.

Ray: You don't have to worry if you end up making the hole a little bigger. The wheels are centered and held securely in place by the lug nuts.

Tom: Then we grease both surfaces before putting on the wheels. That usually helps a lot, at least for the six months or so until the next seasonal changeover.

Ray: And if you do have a flat tire and need to change a wheel in some remote area, the advice you got is almost good.

Tom: Yeah, almost. What you want to do is loosen the lug nuts a little bit – not a lot! Maybe a quarter of the way off. And then drive the car quickly for a very short distance (like 10 feet) and stop abruptly. Then put it in reverse and do the same thing going backward. That usually will jolt the stuck wheel free so you can remove it.

Ray: But don't just loosen up the lug nuts and go driving around for a while. That usually doesn't end well. Good luck, Nick.

Got a question about cars? Write to Click and Clack by visiting the Car Talk website at www.cartalk.com.

Photo by Dar Davis
GM's VP design chief, Bill Mitchell, asked his staff to create the crisply styled 1963 Buick to do battle with Ford's 4th-place Thunderbird. The 2-door hardtop was very well received and its sophisticated, clean lines influenced the looks of future Buicks, resulting in increased sales for the then-struggling mid-priced car division.

Landmark vehicles that never seem to age

Dar Davis

As a longtime observer of the automotive scene, I've noticed that certain automobiles are so beautifully executed and designed that they never seem to go out of style.

We know this is also true with clothes – think Chanel's 1950s little black dress; in architecture – think Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater house in Pennsylvania; and decorative arts – think Tiffany's stain-glass windows.

Everyone reading this column can probably come up with their list of timeless vehicles, and it's quite likely that quite a few of my selections will appear on others' lists.

Before reading on, I'd like to invite readers to mentally make up a list of timeless automobiles that still stylistically ring your bell, even decades after they were assembled. My list includes the selections below. Do any of my choices appear on your list?

▶ 1937 Cord 812: I greatly regret having never met the late designer Gordon Buehrig. I would ask him to share his inspiration for creating the ground-breaking 1936 Cord 810. He designed a number of fine cars, but none had the impact of his 810 and 812 Cords with their radiator-less "coffin" nose hoods, missing running boards and first use of hidden headlights. Even New York's Museum of Modern Art recognized the Cord's originality in 1951. It would have been a great privilege to have him as the local Concours' featured designer.

▶ 1953 Studebaker Starliner Coupe and 1963 Avanti: Industrial designer Raymond Loewy's portfolio was filled with all kinds of amazing commissioned product designs. He did the iconic Coca Cola vending machine, the Pennsylvania Railroad S-1 locomotive, the Lucky Strike package, Greyhound's Scenic-Cruiser bus, to mention a few. He further had a hand in designing two vehicles on my "cars that never age" list.

Both Studebakers, they were created 10 years apart. Both were sporty and neither were able to save the independent automaker from going out of business. But you can't blame Mr. Loewy for the automaker's troubles.

Both the Euro-inspired 1953 Studebaker coupe and the faultless Avanti sports car were design masterpieces. I'd like to suggest that the '53 coupe, with its long hood and short deck, predicted the decade-later pony car era.

▶ 1956 Continental Mark II: Only 3,000 of the gorgeous $10,000 Mark II coupes were produced in the marque's brief 1956-57 history but, boy, every one of the beauties are a sight to behold.

Chief designer John Reinhart and his chief body engineer Gordon Buehrig (he of Cord 810 fame) created a luxury masterpiece that has stood the test of time. Many may remember enjoying Barry and Glynette Wolk's 1956 Mark II at several local Concours shows. I further mentioned their Mark II in last week's car column.

▶ 1961 Jaguar E-Type: Something tells me that Jag's XK-E 1961-74 coupe and roadster is on every single "most beautiful car" list ever created by a design buff. With more than 70,000 E-Types sold, the British sports car featured great looks, high performance and it didn't cost a fortune. In 2004, Sports Car International magazine placed the XK-E at the top of the list of "Top Sports Cars of the 1960s. Amen.

▶ 1961 Lincoln Continental: I've been an admirer of the Elwood Engel-designed Lincoln-Continental from the time the classic-looking auto arrived at dealers back in the fall of 1960. I was pleased to hear the local Concours' featured designer, Bill Porter, say in his evening slide program at Tosi's last summer that the 1961 Lincoln-Continental was a landmark vehicle that still influences how vehicles are designed today. Understated almost to a fault, the luxury sedan and convertible (both models were 4-door) featured very simple forms and little chrome. Lincoln stuck with the classic look for years and eventually began to challenge front-runner Cadillac for sales leadership by the end of the decade.

▶ 1963 Riviera: GM Vice President of Design Bill Mitchell had only been in the top job for a year or two before he had his designers begin work on what would become Buick's answer to Ford's amazingly successful 1958 4-place Thunderbird.

Mitchell was a great admirer of European automobiles, especially those from the late 1930s and 1940s. What became the stunning 1963 Riviera was initially badged as a Cadillac LaSalle in its early development. But Cadillac sales were going great, and the division passed on adding the two-door coupe to its roster. Buick division was awarded the car. In its first year, the car with crisp lines and immaculate detailing sold 40,000 units.

▶ 1966 Riviera/1966 Toronado/1967 Cadillac Eldorado: I greatly admire all three of these personal luxury coupes and have lumped them as one because they all share GM's luxury coupe E-body.

Designed under Mitchell's watchful eye, all three were eye candy. It's hard to pick a winner in this bunch. Certainly the Toronado, with its first use of front-wheel drive since the 1937 Cord 912, captured the headlines on its introduction. Its dramatic profile, showing its beautiful flowing roof, was a hit.

However, the Dave Hols-designed 1966 Riviera was equally as handsome.

You could say the Toro was canine-like and the Riviera was feline-like – both fabulous. Then there was the sheer-looking and refined 1967 Cadillac Eldorado. With slim vertical front fenders and taillights, nearly vertical roof and backlight and lack of chrome, it was one of Cadillac's greatest achievements.

All three still look sensational today.

I had an additional nine candidates on my initial list but lack of space prevented me from mentioning them. If I wrote this column next week, there is no doubt some of these automobiles would rise to the top.

They are the 1937 Lincoln Zephyr, 1938 Cadillac Fleetwood Sixty Special, 1955 Chevrolet, all 1957 Chrysler Corp. cars, 1960 Corvair, 1960 Dodge Polara/Matador, 1963 Pontiac Grand Prix, 1968 Pontiac LeMans/GTO and 1970 Camaro.

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BEHIND THE WHEEL

Ford Escape is roaring back

By ANN M. JOB
For The Associated Press

Pleasantly styled inside and out and offering fuel-savvy, turbocharged power, the Ford Escape sport utility vehicle is threatening to dethrone the Honda CR-V as America's top-selling compact SUV.

For 2014, the five-passenger Escape retains its agile handling and tidy size while adding a rearview camera and improved Sync MyFord voice-activated phone and audio system as standard equipment on all models.

Pricing also is notable. Starting manufacturer's suggested retail price, including destination charge, of $23,595 for a base, 2014 Escape is an increase of only $230 from 2013.

Better yet, the base, 2014 Escape S with front-wheel drive and 168-horsepower, non-turbo four cylinder is priced $180 less than the $23,775 starting retail price for a base, 2014 Honda CR-V with front-wheel drive.

The CR-V, which has a 185-horsepower, naturally aspirated four cylinder, already has a standard rearview camera on all models.

The test 2014 Escape SE FWD with a total price tag of $26,840 exhibited many of the best attributes of today's Escape.

The attractive, upscale-looking exterior is one of the nicest on a smaller-size SUV on the market. Inside the test vehicle, the smartly designed dashboard, contrasting color fabric seats and Ice Blue lighting had a modern appeal.

The strongly supportive seat foam, even without a lot of side bolstering, provided fatigue-free driving for three-hour-plus trips. Still, the seat fabric allowed passengers to slide a bit into place and felt neither too hot in the sun nor too cold on frosty mornings.

The SE included power adjustments for the driver's seat, and the front passenger seat, while not powered, has four adjustments, including height adjustment.

The generous seat track for fore and aft movement of the driver seat as well as the power seat height adjustment helped make all sorts of drivers comfortable. At the same time, adults got inside the 5.5-foot-tall Escape easily – no climbing needed.

All three Escape engines have four cylinders. The test SE had the mid-range, 1.6-liter, double overhead cam, EcoBoost, turbocharged four cylinder that provides the best fuel economy ratings of 23 miles per gallon in city driving and 32 mpg on the highway.

Given the experience in the test Escape FWD model, this is entirely attainable, too. The tester averaged 24.6 mpg in city driving and posted a 27.4-mpg average over long highway trips that included hilly areas.

Regular gasoline is all that's needed, and the Escape includes Ford's innovative gas tank that has no fuel cap, just a self-sealing opening.

2014 Ford Escape SE FWD

BASE PRICE: $22,700 for base S; $25.550 for SE FWD.
PRICE AS TESTED: $26,840.
TYPE: Front-engine, front-wheel drive, five-passenger, compact sport utility vehicle.
ENGINE: 1.6-liter, double overhead cam, EcoBoost, turbocharged four cylinder with Tri-VCT.
MILEAGE: 23 mpg (city), 32 mpg (highway).
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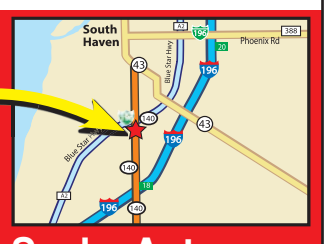

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82%
took some action as a result of a print newspaper ad in the past 30 days. 59% clipped a coupon, 52% bought something advertised and 45% visited a store.

39%
followed up a newspaper ad online in some way. 33% went to a website after seeing a print newspaper ad and 21% conducted an online search.

36%
who said they had not read a newspaper in the past week, USED a newspaper during that same week. Usage included: 19% checking sales in local stores, 15% clipping a coupon, 14% checking the weather and 10% checking movie listings.

82%
used a preprinted insert in the past 30 days. Adults keep inserts 4.4 days. 59% used inserts to compare prices, 55% used to compare one circular to another, 52% saved until visiting the store and 43% used to make an unplanned purchase.

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MUST SEE!!

2013 FORD F-150 CREW XLT 4X4

JUST IN! LIKE NEW WITH TEEN MILES

MUST SEE!!

02 CHEVY SUBURBAN

JUST IN!! LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, DVD

MUST SEE!!

2013 MAZDA 6

JUST IN!! IMMACULATE WITH LOW MILES

MUST SEE!!

10 GMC ACADIA SLT AWD

JUST IN!! EVERY OPTION AND PRICED THOUSANDS LESS THAN ANYWHERE

MUST SEE!!

12 HYUNDAI SONATA HYBRID

JUST IN!! ONLY 47,000 MILES

MUST SEE!!

06 CHEVY AVALANCHE Z-71

JUST IN!! ANDY GRIFFITH WOULD SAY PURDY, PURDY, PURDY

MUST SEE!!

13 FORD FUSION SE

JUST IN! HEATED LEATHER, POWER MOONROOF ,TEEN MILES

MUST SEE!!

05 TOYOTA SEQUOIA SR5

JUST IN!! GET HERE QUICK!

MUST SEE!!

30 MPG

04 DODGE STRATUS SXT

JUST IN!! EXTRA SWEET WIDDA POWER ROOF

ZERO DOWN $148/mo

SALE $6,900

30 MPG

07 BUICK LACROSSE CXL

HEATED LEATHER, FULLY APPOINTED WITH LUXURY, SAVE BIG $$$

ZERO DOWN $197/mo

SALE $8,585

09 CHEVY AVEO HATCHBACK

YOU CAN SNATCH BACK ALOTTA STUFF AND PUT IT IN YOUR NEW HATCHBACK

ZERO DOWN $129/mo

SALE $8,678

36 MPG

09 CHEVY AVEO

SAVE ENOUGH ON GAS TO MAKE THE LOW PAYMENT!!

ZERO DOWN $139/mo

SALE $9,660

07 CHRYSLER PT CRUISER CONVERTIBLE

IT'S SO CUTE

ZERO DOWN $149/mo

SALE $9,969

06 CHEVY SILVERADO EX-CAB LS

JUST IN!! FULLY SERVICED, READY TO GO!!

ZERO DOWN $149/mo

SALE $9,800

06 MINI COOPER

IT'S CUDDLY!

ZERO DOWN $148/mo

SALE $9,800

07 DODGE CALIBER SXT

JUST IN! SUPER CLEAN WIDDA PAYMENT THAT'S LEAN... DUH ALMOST FORGOT, SUPER LOW MILES

ZERO DOWN $149/mo

SALE $9,888

29 MPG

10 DODGE AVENGER R/T

JUST IN! HEATED LEATHER SEATS AND SALE PRICED LW SO YA DON'T TAKE ANY BEATS.

ZERO DOWN $188/mo

SALE $12,888

09 SATURN VUE XR V6

JUST IN! HEATED LEATHER AND MORE FOR LESS

ZERO DOWN $197/mo

SALE $13,888

28 MPG

10 MERCURY MARINER

JUST IN! MOONROOF, FULL POWER OPTIONS AND PURDY

ZERO DOWN $197/mo

SALE $13,888

36 MPG

12 TOYOTA YARIS

4 DOOR, SPECIAL PURCHASE- ONLY 2 LEFT!

ZERO DOWN $197/mo

SALE $13,888

10 FORD TRANSIT

JUST IN!! LIKE NEW AND HARD TO FIND

ZERO DOWN $197/mo

SALE $13,888

09 FORD E-150 CARGO

EXCELLENT CONDITION, READY TO WORK

ZERO DOWN $198/mo

SALE $13,900

27 MPG

07 MAZDA CX7 TOURING

POWER ROOF, ALLOYS AND ALL THE TOYS

ZERO DOWN $198/mo

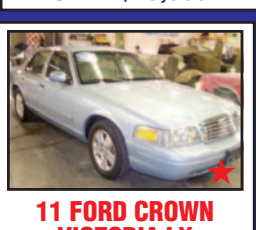
SALE $13,900

12 MAZDA 3

JUST IN!! LIKE NEW WITH LOW MILES, FULL POWER OPTIONS

ZERO DOWN $215/mo

SALE $14,700



11 FORD CROWN VICTORIA LX

JUST IN!! LEATHER, LOADED, LOW MILES

ZERO DOWN $217/mo

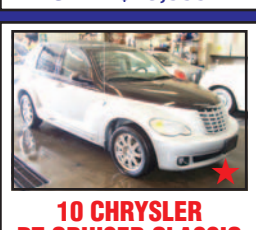
SALE $14,900

13 DODGE AVENGER

JUST IN!! ALLOYS AND ALL THE TOYS... SAVE THOUSANDS!

ZERO DOWN $217/mo

SALE $14,900



10 CHRYSLER PT CRUISER CLASSIC

JUST IN!! COLLECTOR'S EDITION IN MINT CONDITION

ZERO DOWN $219/mo

SALE $15,700

36 MPG

13 CHEVY SONIC LT

IT'S SONICLICIOUS!!

ZERO DOWN $224/mo

SALE $15,876

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36 MPG

09 SATURN VUE HYBRID

EXCELLENT CONDITION, EXCELLENT MILEAGE, EXCELLENT DEAL

ZERO DOWN $228/mo

SALE $15,979

32 MPG

2012 NISSAN SENTRA SL

JUST IN!! NAV., ROOF, SPOILER, LOW MILES!!

ZERO DOWN $229/mo

SALE $15,700

07 CHRYSLER 300 C

JUST IN!! EVERY OPTION WITH SUPER LOW MILES

ZERO DOWN $219/mo

SALE $15,700

36 MPG

13 TOYOTA COROLLA LE

LIKE NEW FOR LIESS

ZERO DOWN $219/mo

SALE $15,700

13 KIA OPTIMA

JUST IN!! SHOWROOM NEW WITH LOW MILES

ZERO DOWN $239/mo

SALE $16,345

32 MPG

12 NISSAN ALTIMA S

SHOWROOM NEW WITH A SPOILER AND MORE FOR LESS

ZERO DOWN $239/mo

SALE $16,389

30 MPG

10 NISSAN ROUGUE

IT'S CUDDLY!!

ZERO DOWN $240/mo

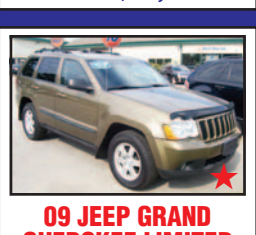
SALE $16,494

10 CHEVY TRAVERSE LT AWD

JUST IN!! GET HERE QUICK!

ZERO DOWN $259/mo

SALE $17,700

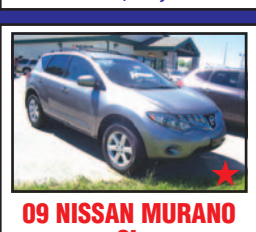


09 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LIMITED

JUST IN!! EXCELLENT CONDITION WITH FULL POWER OPTIONS

ZERO DOWN $259/mo

SALE $17,700

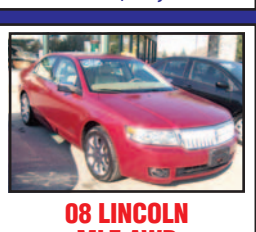


09 NISSAN MURANO SL

WAY WAY WAY UNDER BOOK

ZERO DOWN $267/mo

SALE $17,777

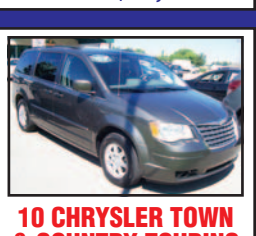


08 LINCOLN MLZ AWD

JUST IN!! HEATED & COOLED STWADT

ZERO DOWN $284/mo

SALE $18,900

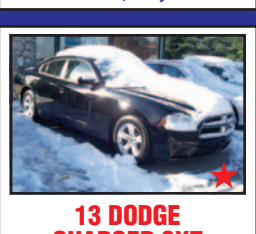


10 CHRYSLER TOWN & COUNTRY TOURING

FULL POWER OPTIONS, LIKE NEW WITH SUPER LOW MILES!!

ZERO DOWN $297/mo

SALE $19,777

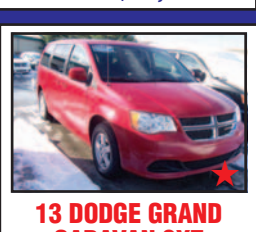


13 DODGE CHARGER SXT

SPOILER PACKAGE, LOW MILES, BLACK ON BLACK

ZERO DOWN $298/mo

SALE $19,800



13 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SXT

JUST IN!! SHOWROOM NEW WITH OUT PAYING FOR THE SHOWROOM

ZERO DOWN $298/mo

SALE $19,800

11 CHEVY CAMARO 2LT

HEATED LEATHER, POWER ROOF, R.S. PACKAGE... MINT!!

ZERO DOWN $298/mo

SALE $19,800

06 MERCEDES E-CLASS

MINT CONDITION

ZERO DOWN $333/mo

SALE $17,800

13 FORD ESCAPE SEL

JUST IN!! HEATED LEATHER, POWER ROOF

ZERO DOWN $359/mo

SALE $24,500

13 NISSAN PATHFINDER SV

JUST IN!! LIKE NEW JUST $10K LESS

ZERO DOWN $364/mo

SALE $24,900

09 CHEVY SILVERADO CREW Z-71

JUST IN1! FULLY LOADED AND PERFECT

ZERO DOWN $364/mo

SALE $24,900

09 CHEVY SUBURBAN

JUST IN! LEATHER, LOADED, D.V.D., FREE WARRANTY TO 100,000 MILES TOO!

ZERO DOWN $379/mo

SALE $25,873

06 DODGE RAM 2500 QUAD CAB LARAMIE 4X4

JUST IN! CUMMINGS DIESEL WITH EVERY OPTION. MUST SEE!

$28,900

12 NISSAN ARMADA SE 4X4

JUST IN!! LIKE NEW WITH LOW MILES

ZERO DOWN $439/mo

SALE $32,800

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10 Chevy Equinox LT AWD
Ready for winter and economically priced to fit your budget while still purchasing a certified puff
$249/MO Zero Down $16,900

12 Chevy Impala LT
Just in! Power roof, alloys and the toys... low miles too!
$264/MO Zero Down $17,900

13 Chevy Cruze L.T.Z.
JUST IN!! EVERY OPTION!!
$259/MO Zero Down $17,800

13 Chevy Captiva
Alotta bang for a low buck 30 MPG
$259/MO Zero Down $17,600

13 Chevy Cruze ECO
Fresh trade in. Certified!
$279/MO Zero Down $18,555

12 Buick Regal Premium
Black on black with all the toys!
$299/MO Zero Down $19,989

11 G.M.C. Terrain SLT
JUST IN!! Excellent condition. Power roof, back up camera & more!
$299/MO Zero Down $19,900

13 Chevy impala L.T.Z.
JUST IN!! Every option, original MSRP over $33,000!
$299/MO Zero Down $19,800

13 Chevy Equinox L.T.
JUST IN!! Power moonroof, full power options. Save thousands!
$329/MO Zero Down $22,500

12 Buick Lacrosse CXL
JUST IN!! Showroom new with low miles!
$329/MO Zero Down $22,500

10 Chevy Silverado Ex-Cab Z-71
Just in! Immaculate with a Z-71 Appearance Package
$345/MO Zero Down $23,900

12 Chevy Silverado Ex-Cab LT Z-71
JUST IN!! Heated Leather. LOW miles!
$399/MO Zero Down $27,300

12 Chevy Silverado Ex-Cab L.T.Z. 4x4
JUST IN!! Teen miles, fully loaded. Won't last long.
$419/MO Zero Down $31,800

13 Chevy Volt
JUST IN!! White diamond with every option!
$399/MO Zero Down $27,333

11 Chevy Silverado HD2500 Crew LT
It's the right one
$449/MO Zero Down $31,500

11 Chevy Silverado HD2500 Crew LT
Duramax diesel, full power, fully serviced, fully warrantied
$475/MO Zero Down $32,900

13 Chevy Traverse LTZ
JUST IN!! AWD. Every option!!
$39,900

10 Chevy Tahoe L.T.Z.
JUST IN!! Every option, with very low miles
$525/MO Zero Down $39,900

All-Wheel Drive 4x4 Specials

99 GMC Yukon SLE 4x4
Just in! Looks, runs and drivves great
$6,900 CASH SPECIAL

02 Ford Ranger Supercab 4x4
The time to save is before the snow comes.
$177/MO Zero Down $9,900

01 Jeep Wangler Off Road
One of a kind. MUST SEE!!
$229/MO Zero Down $12,800

02 GMC Yukon XL SLT
Just in! Ready for snow!
$229/MO Zero Down $12,800

11 Chevy Silverado 3500 Crew LT 4x4
Just in! Duramax, Allison, Full Power, Fully Warranty Free
$429/MO Zero Down $29,550

12 Nissan Armada LE 4x4
Excellent condition with low miles
$429/MO Zero Down $29,500

13 Ford Edge Limited AWD
Just In!! White diamond edition Blue Books for over $29,000
$389/MO Zero Down $26,700

09 Chevy Suburban L.T.
Ready for winter!
$392/MO Zero Down $26,900

10 G.M.C. Yukon XL S.L.T.
JUST IN!! Every option, save thousands!
$429/MO Zero Down $29,480

08 Cadillac Escalade
Just in! Immaculate condition, every option
$429/MO Zero Down $29,400

13 Dodge Durango S.L.T.
JUST IN!! Showroom new, save thousands!
$429/MO Zero Down $29,500

08 Chevy Silverado HD 2500 Crew L.T.Z.
Duramax, Lifted, Every Option.
$582/MO Zero Down $39,900

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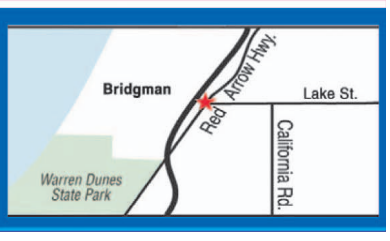

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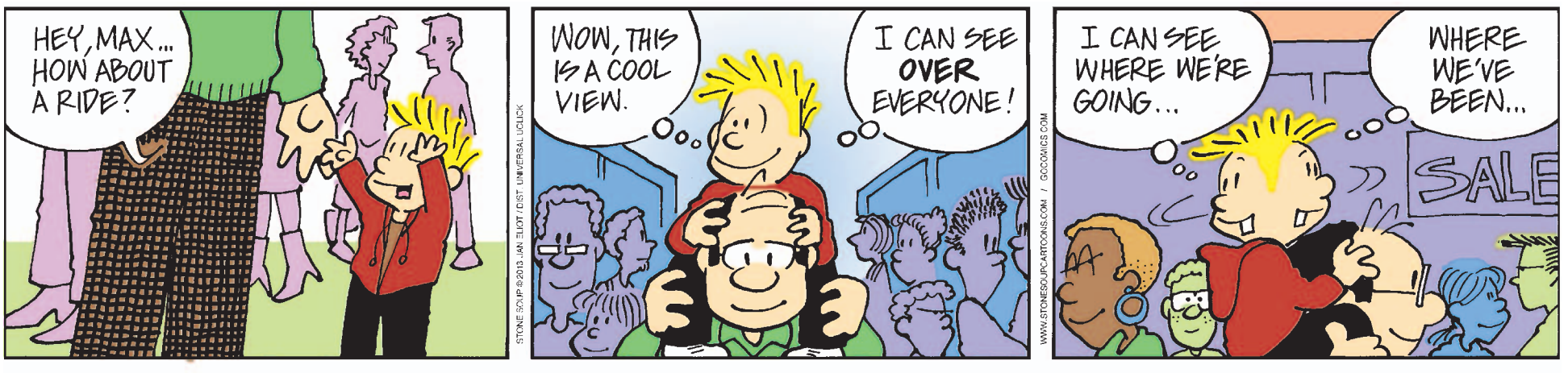
Stone Soup

By Jan Eliot


HEY, MAX... HOW ABOUT A RIDE?
WOW, THIS IS A COOL VIEW.
I CAN SEE OVER EVERYONE!
I CAN SEE WHERE WE'RE GOING...
WHERE WE'VE BEEN...
SALE
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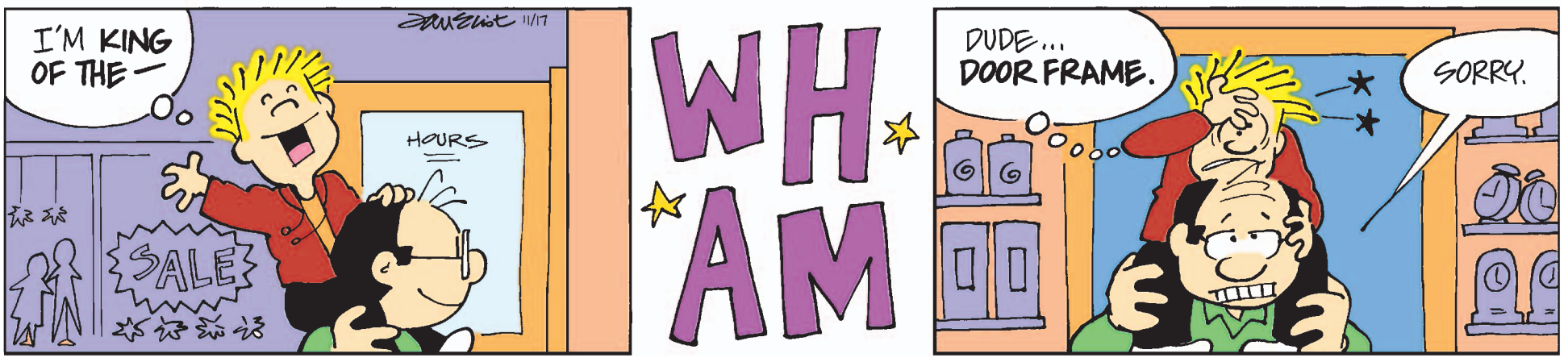

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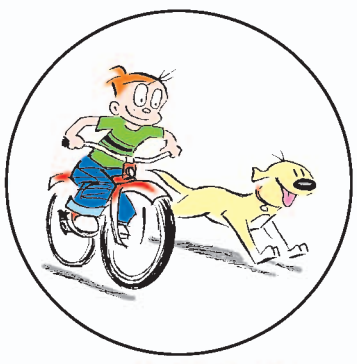
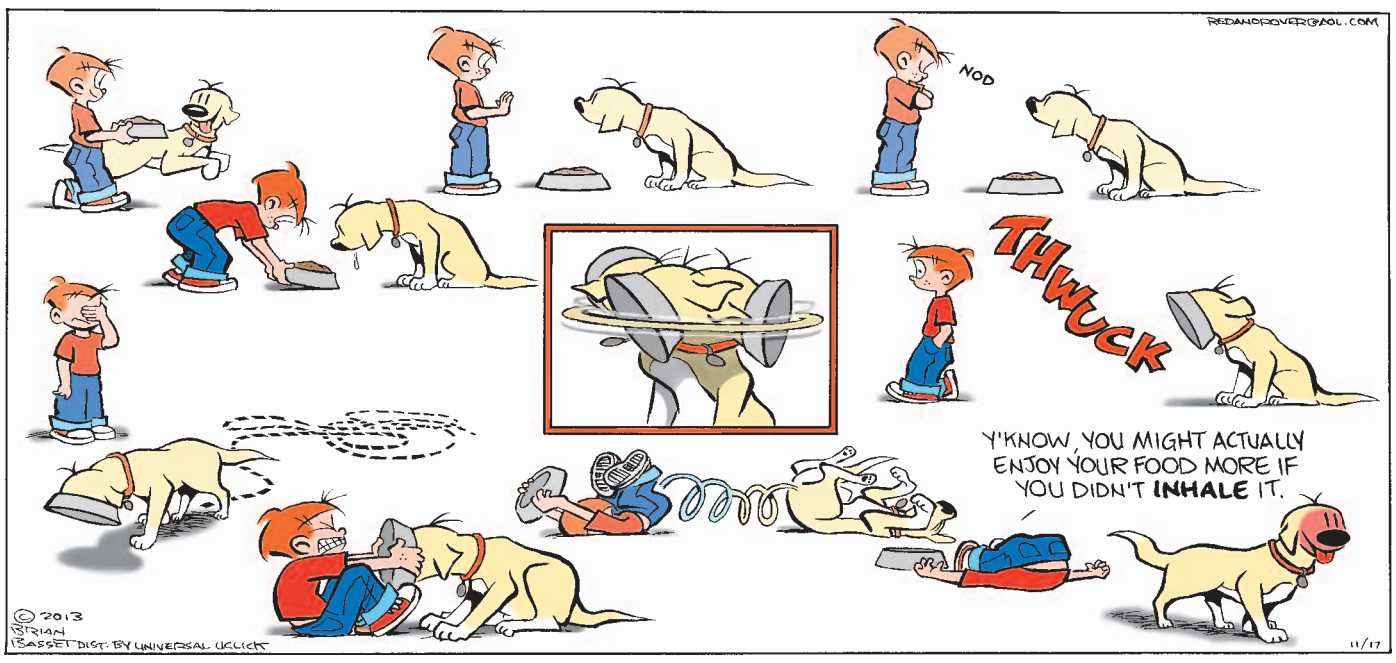


by Brian Basset


REDANDROVER@AOL.COM
NOD
THWUCK
Y'KNOW, YOU MIGHT ACTUALLY ENJOY YOUR FOOD MORE IF YOU DIDN'T INHALE IT.
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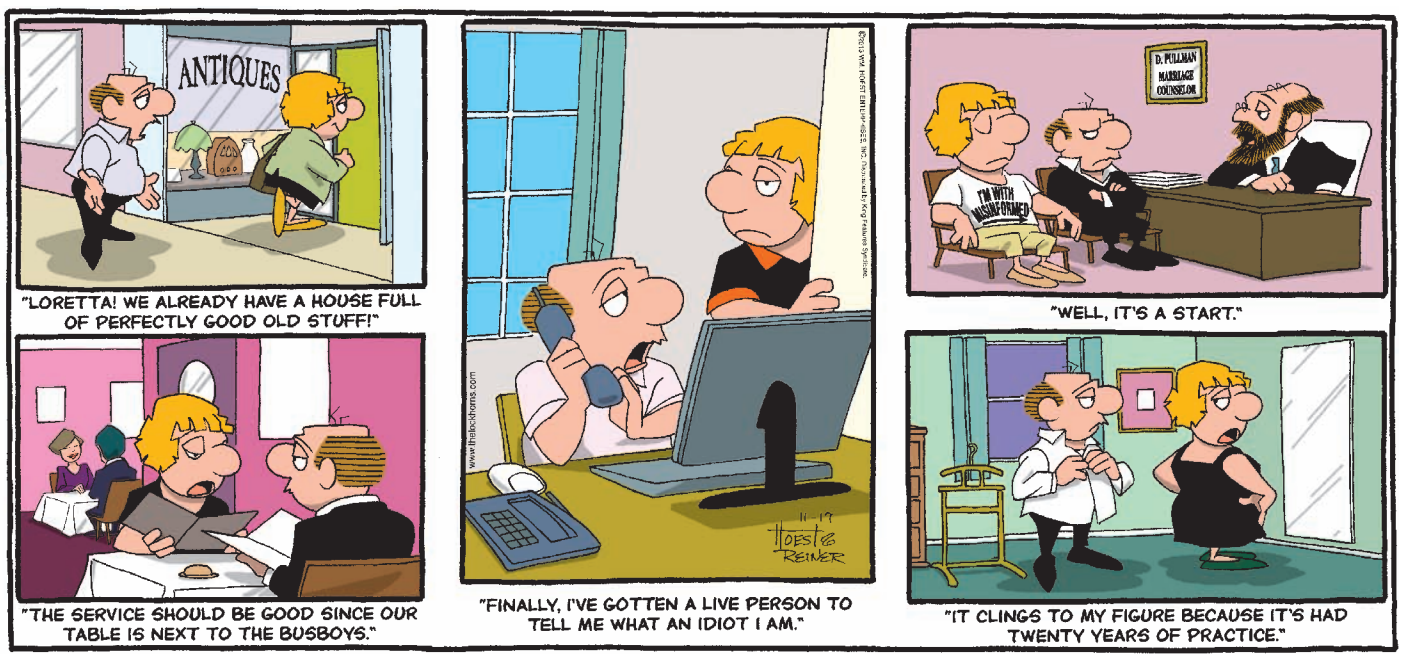
THE LOCKHORNS

BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER


ANTIQUES
"LORETTA! WE ALREADY HAVE A HOUSE FULL OF PERFECTLY GOOD OLD STUFF!"
"THE SERVICE SHOULD BE GOOD SINCE OUR TABLE IS NEXT TO THE BUSBOYS."
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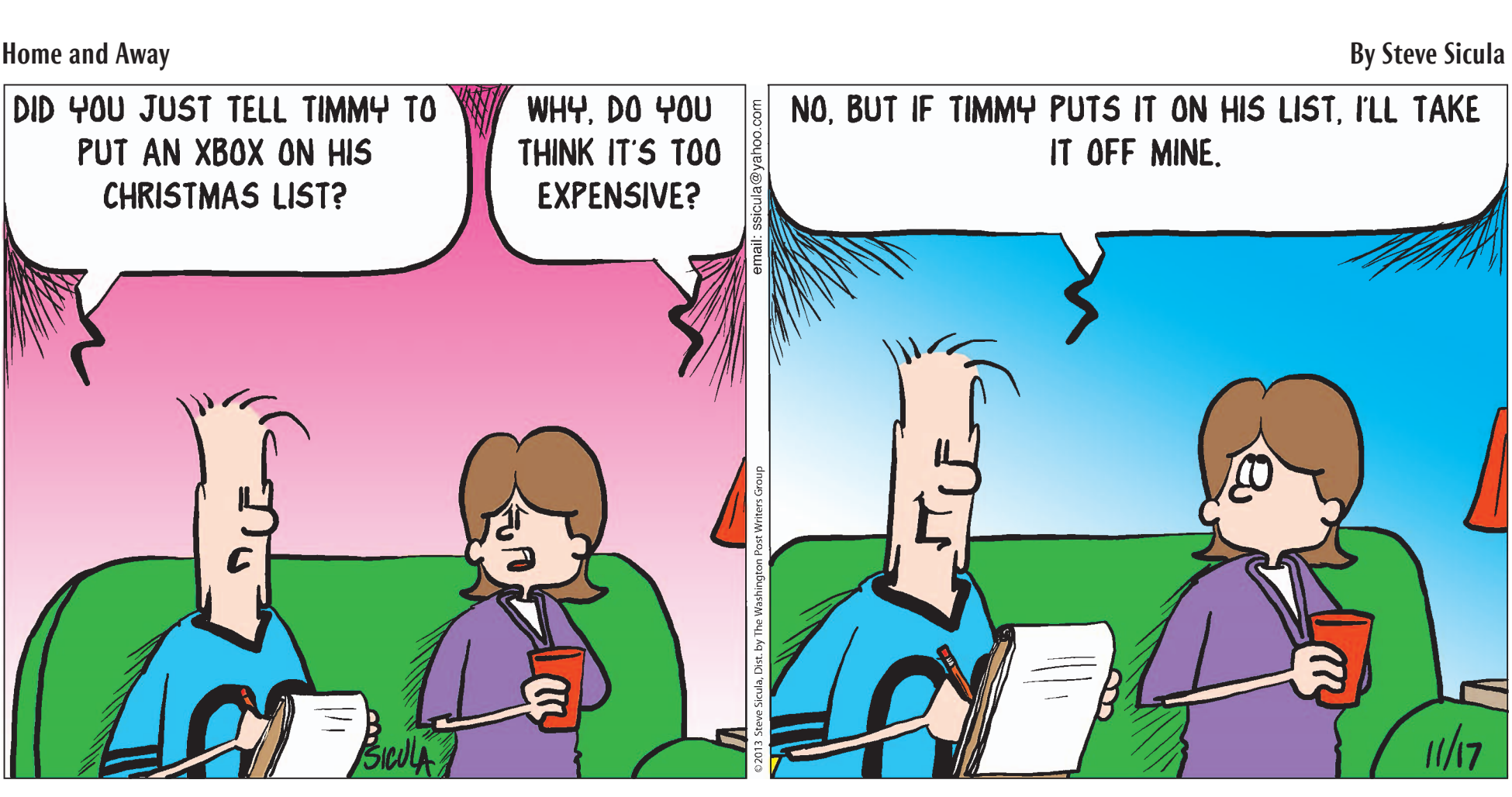
HOEST & REINER
"FINALLY, I'VE GOTTEN A LIVE PERSON TO TELL ME WHAT AN IDIOT I AM."
D. PULLMAN MARRIAGE COUNSELOR
I'M WITH MISGUIDED
"WELL, IT'S A START."
"IT CLINGS TO MY FIGURE BECAUSE IT'S HAD TWENTY YEARS OF PRACTICE."

Home and Away

By Steve Sicula


DID YOU JUST TELL TIMMY TO PUT AN XBOX ON HIS CHRISTMAS LIST?
WHY, DO YOU THINK IT'S TOO EXPENSIVE?
NO, BUT IF TIMMY PUTS IT ON HIS LIST, I'LL TAKE IT OFF MINE.
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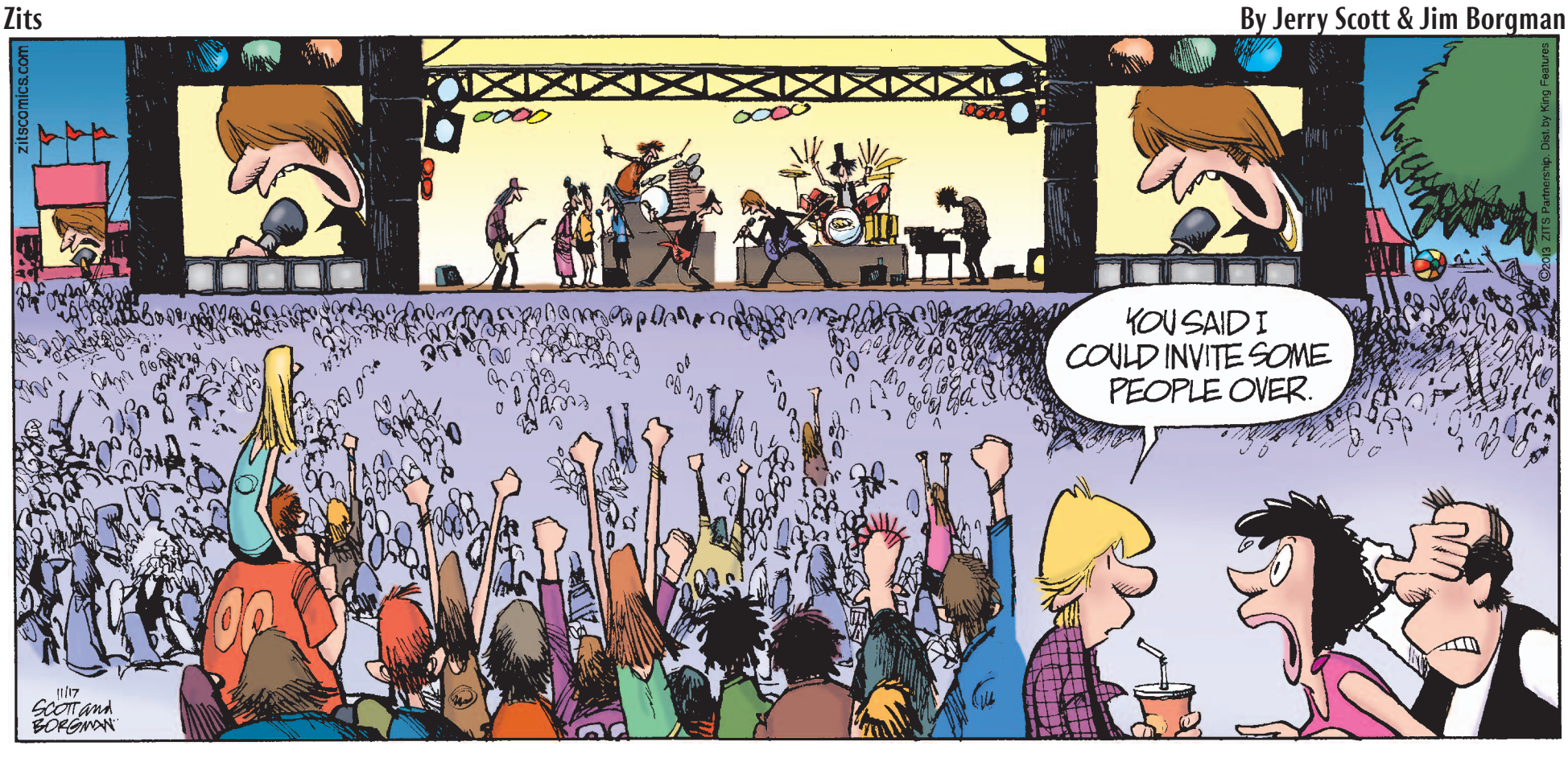
Zits

By Jerry Scott & Jim Borgman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YOU SAID I COULD INVITE SOME PEOPLE OVER.
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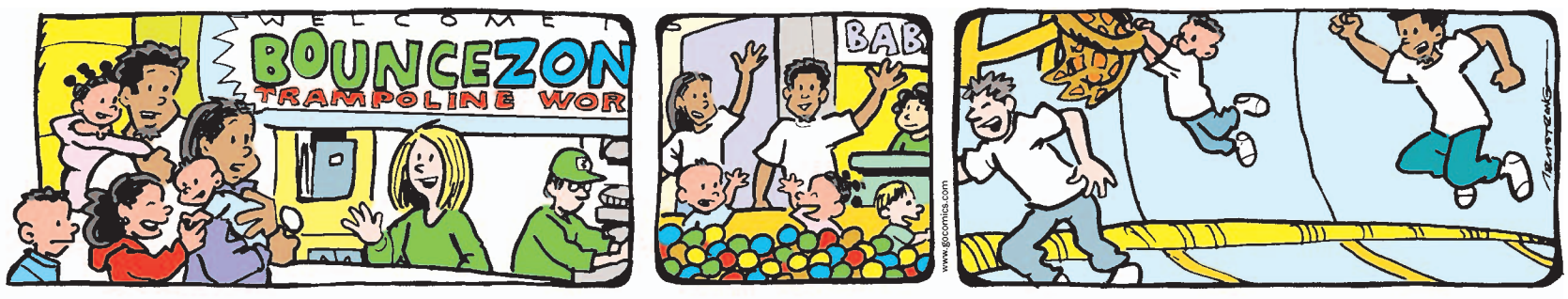
Jump Start

Starring JOE & MARCY

BY ROBB ARMSTRONG



Dilbert

By Scott Adams

I'VE GOT A BAD CASE OF SOMETHING THE EXPERTS CALL "SITTING DISEASE."
DilbertCartoonist@gmail.com
STUDIES SHOW THAT PEOPLE WHO SIT ALL DAY FOR THEIR JOBS HAVE A 40% GREATER CHANCE OF DYING IN THE NEXT THREE YEARS.
COMPANY POLICY SAYS SAFETY IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN PRODUCTIVITY, RIGHT?
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UM . . . SORT OF.
SO INSTEAD OF SITTING AT MY DESK WORKING, I PLAN TO WALK AROUND AND DRINK COFFEE.
FOR SAFETY REASONS.
GO SIT AT YOUR DESK OR YOU'RE FIRED.
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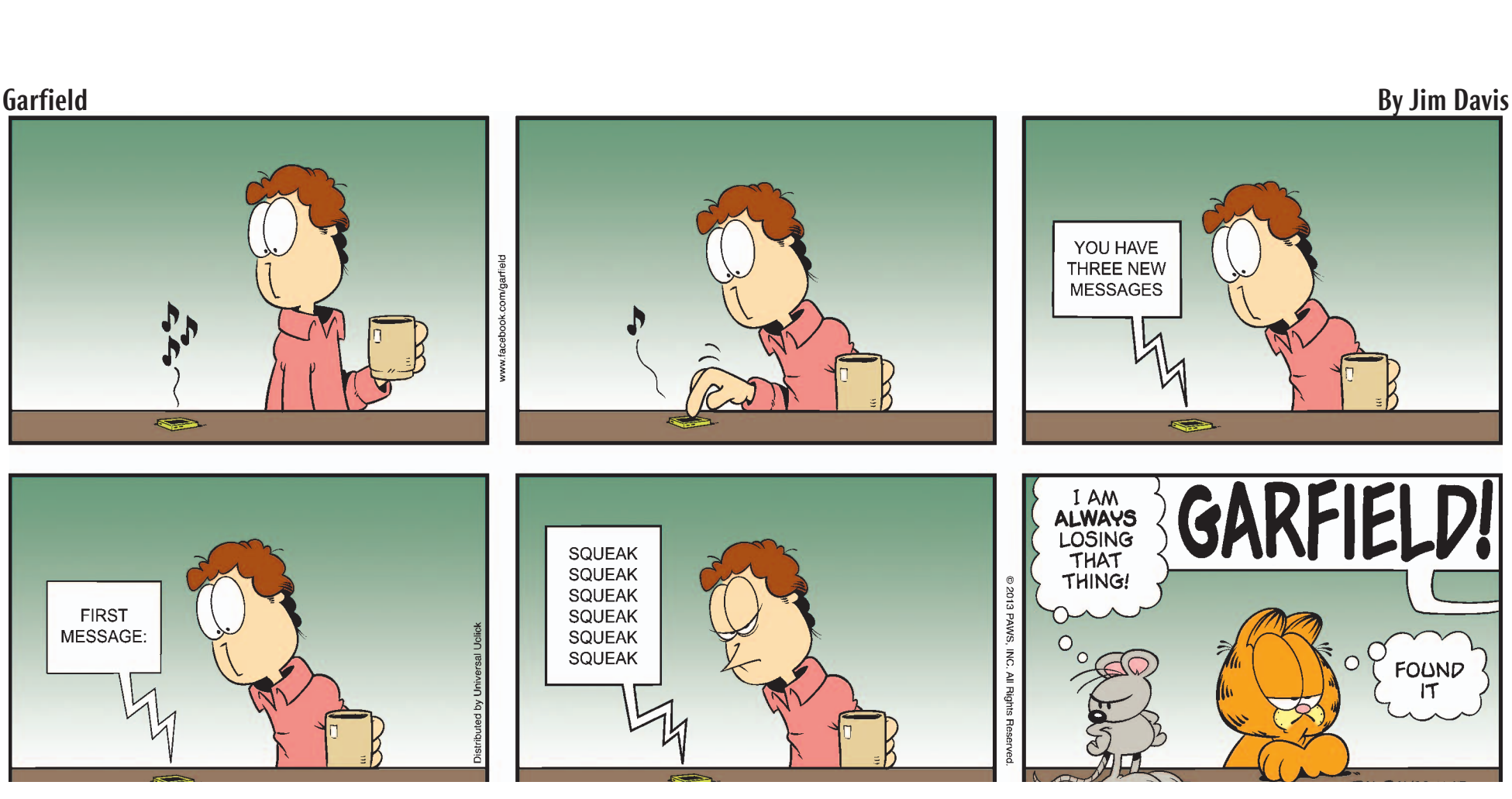
THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE THIS PROBLEM WILL SOLVE ITSELF WITHIN THREE YEARS.

Garfield

By Jim Davis



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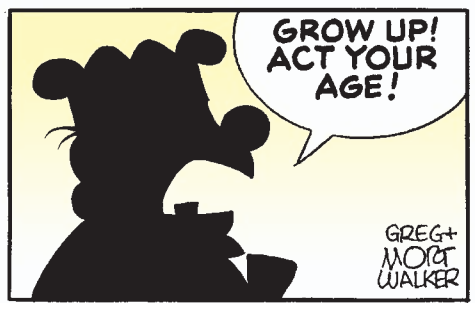

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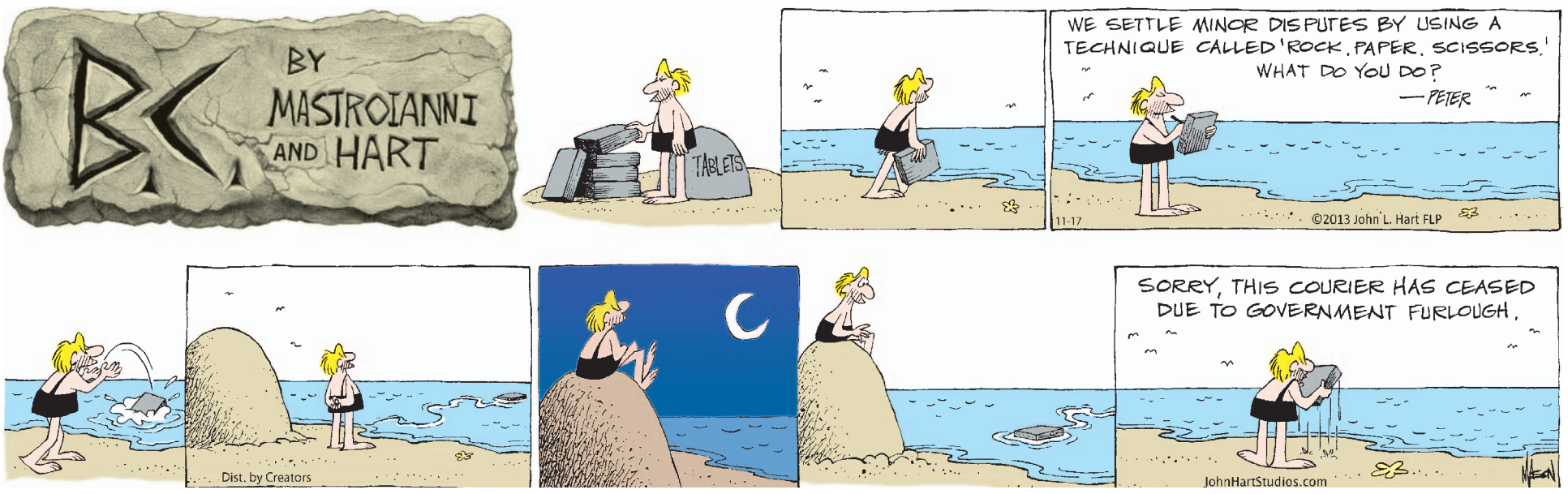
BY MASTROIANNI AND HART


TABLETS
WE SETTLE MINOR DISPUTES BY USING A TECHNIQUE CALLED 'ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS.' WHAT DO YOU DO?
—PETER
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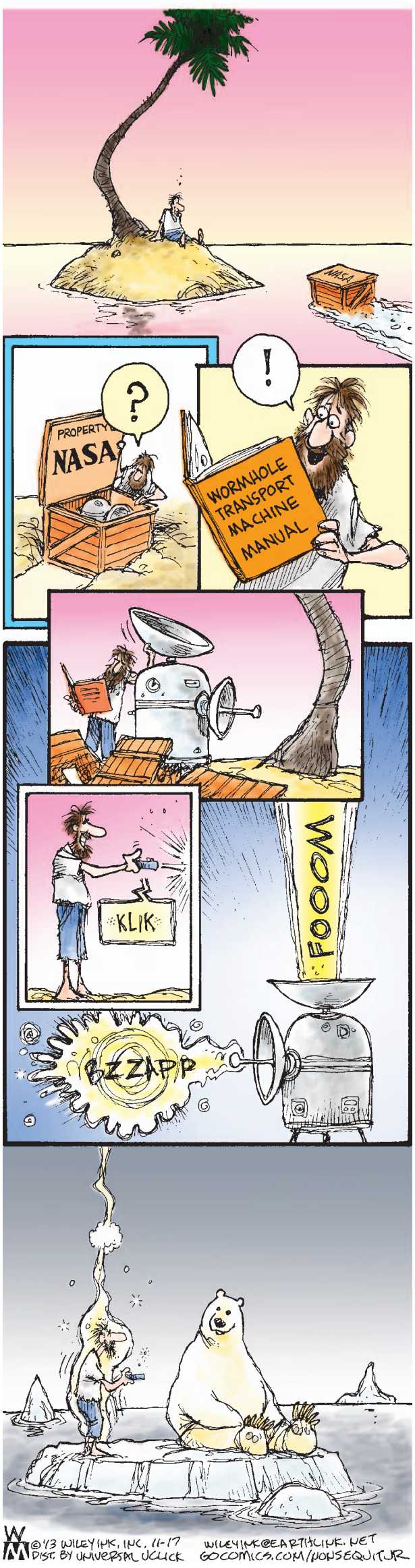
Non Sequitur

By Wiley



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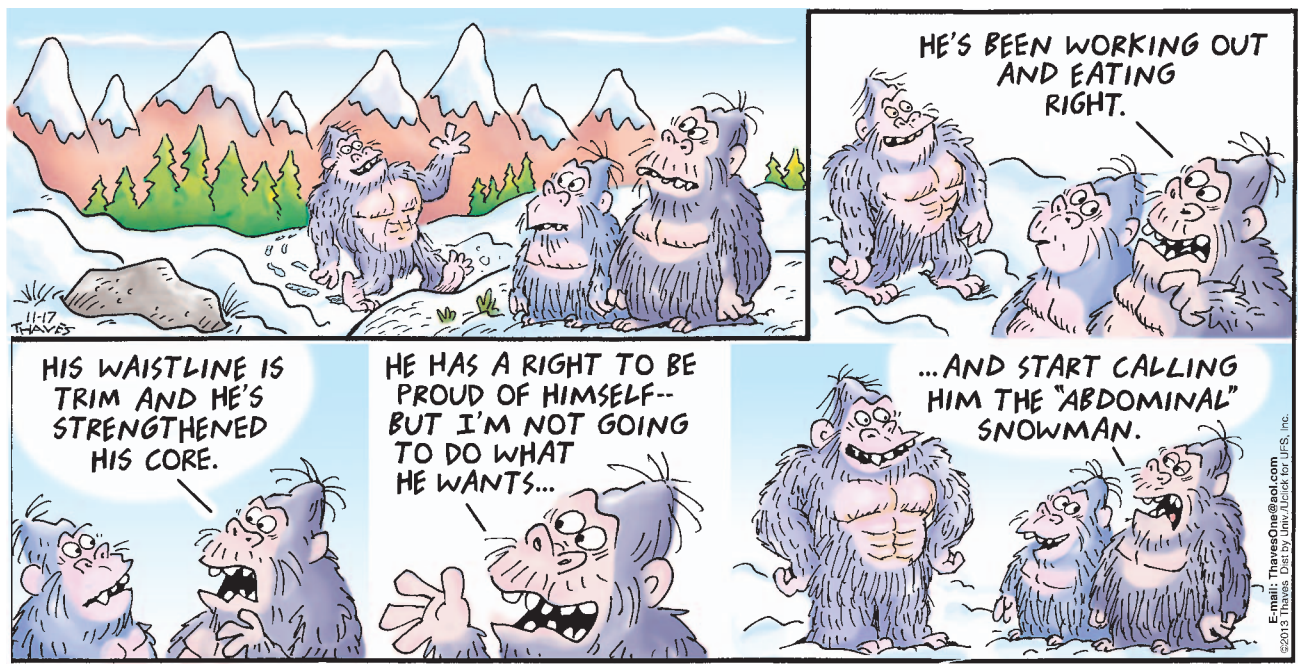
HE'S BEEN WORKING OUT AND EATING RIGHT.
HIS WAISTLINE IS TRIM AND HE'S STRENGTHENED HIS CORE.
HE HAS A RIGHT TO BE PROUD OF HIMSELF-- BUT I'M NOT GOING TO DO WHAT HE WANTS...
...AND START CALLING HIM THE "ABDOMINAL" SNOWMAN.
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Mother Goose & Grimm

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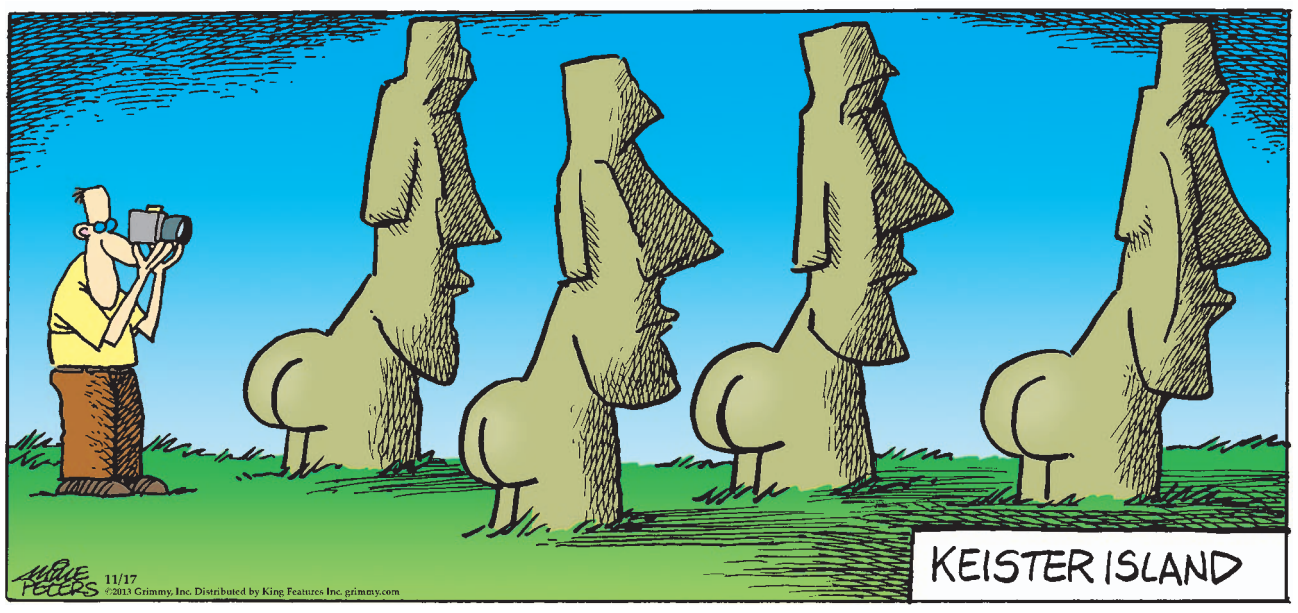

Family Circus

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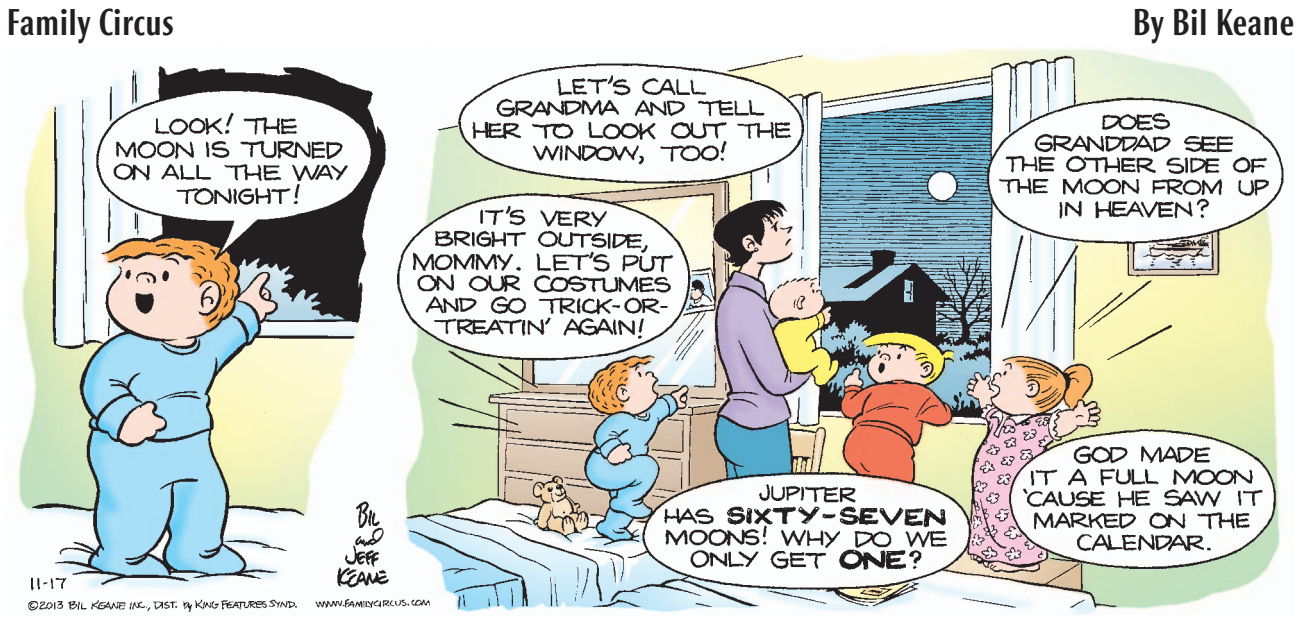
LOOK! THE MOON IS TURNED ON ALL THE WAY TONIGHT!
LET'S CALL GRANDMA AND TELL HER TO LOOK OUT THE WINDOW, TOO!
IT'S VERY BRIGHT OUTSIDE, MOMMY. LET'S PUT ON OUR COSTUMES AND GO TRICK-OR-TREATIN' AGAIN!
DOES GRANDDAD SEE THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MOON FROM UP IN HEAVEN?
JUPITER HAS SIXTY-SEVEN MOONS! WHY DO WE ONLY GET ONE?
GOD MADE IT A FULL MOON 'CAUSE HE SAW IT MARKED ON THE CALENDAR.
BIL AND JEFF KEANE
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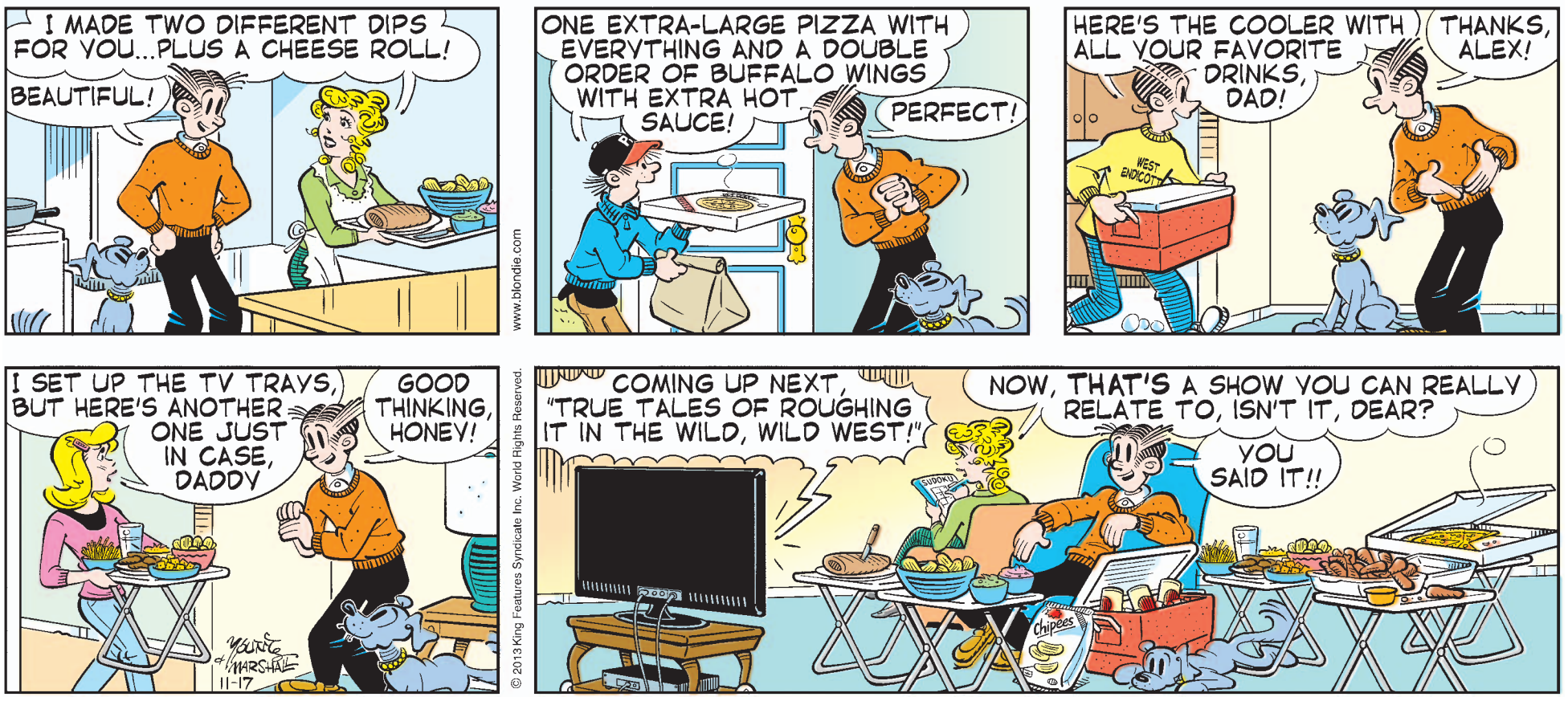
Blondie

By Dean Young & Denis Lebrun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BEAUTIFUL!
ONE EXTRA-LARGE PIZZA WITH EVERYTHING AND A DOUBLE ORDER OF BUFFALO WINGS WITH EXTRA HOT SAUCE!
PERFECT!
HERE'S THE COOLER WITH ALL YOUR FAVORITE DRINKS, DAD!
THANKS, ALEX!
WEST ENDICOTT
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I SET UP THE TV TRAYS, BUT HERE'S ANOTHER ONE JUST IN CASE, DADDY
GOOD THINKING, HONEY!
YOUNG & MARSHALL
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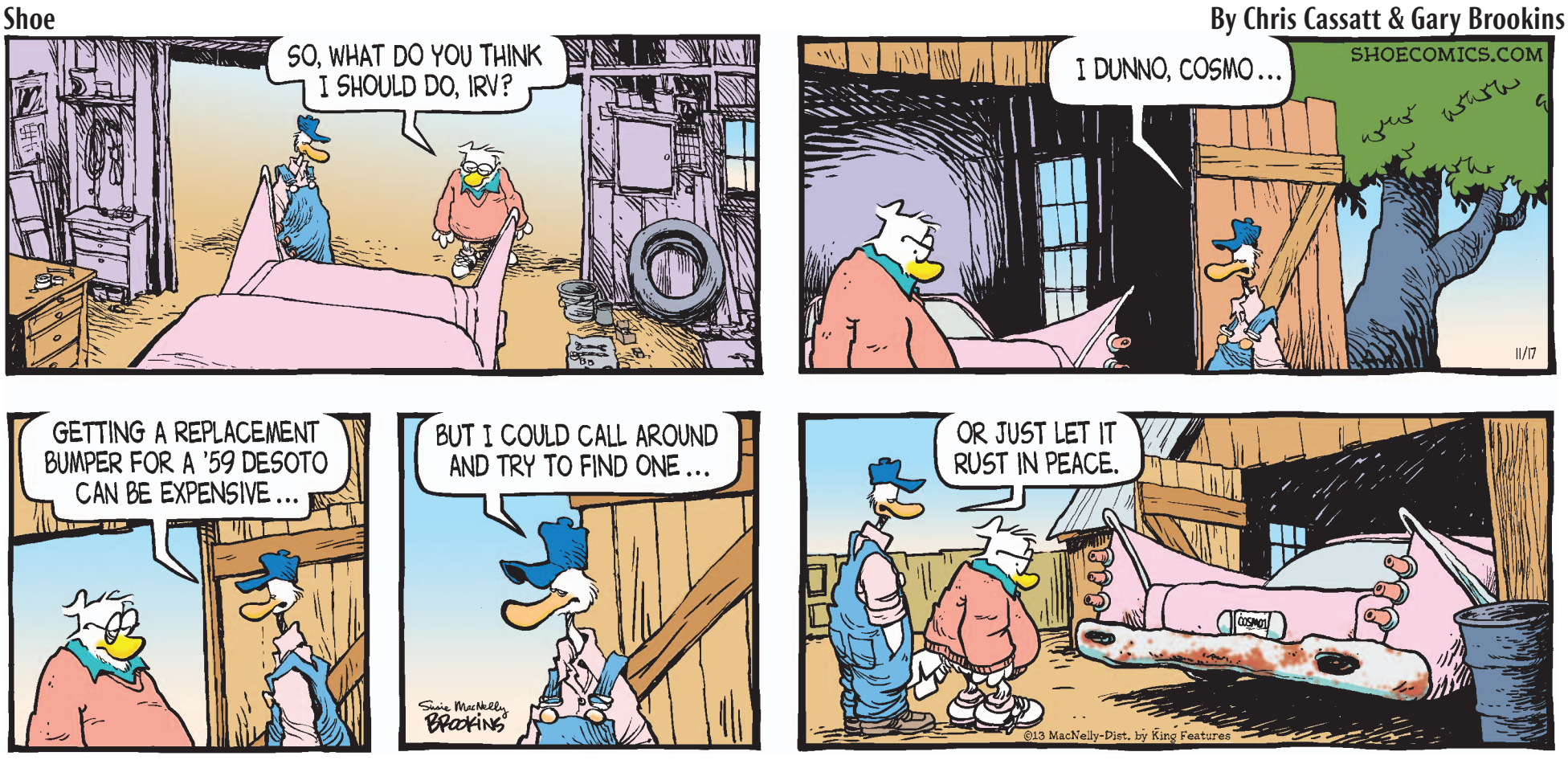
COMING UP NEXT, "TRUE TALES OF ROUGHING IT IN THE WILD, WILD WEST!"
NOW, THAT'S A SHOW YOU CAN REALLY RELATE TO, ISN'T IT, DEAR?
YOU SAID IT!!
SUDOKU
Chipees

Shoe

By Chris Cassatt & Gary Brookins


SO, WHAT DO YOU THINK I SHOULD DO, IRV?
I DUNNO, COSMO...
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GETTING A REPLACEMENT BUMPER FOR A '59 DESOTO CAN BE EXPENSIVE...
BUT I COULD CALL AROUND AND TRY TO FIND ONE...
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OR JUST LET IT RUST IN PEACE.
COSMO!
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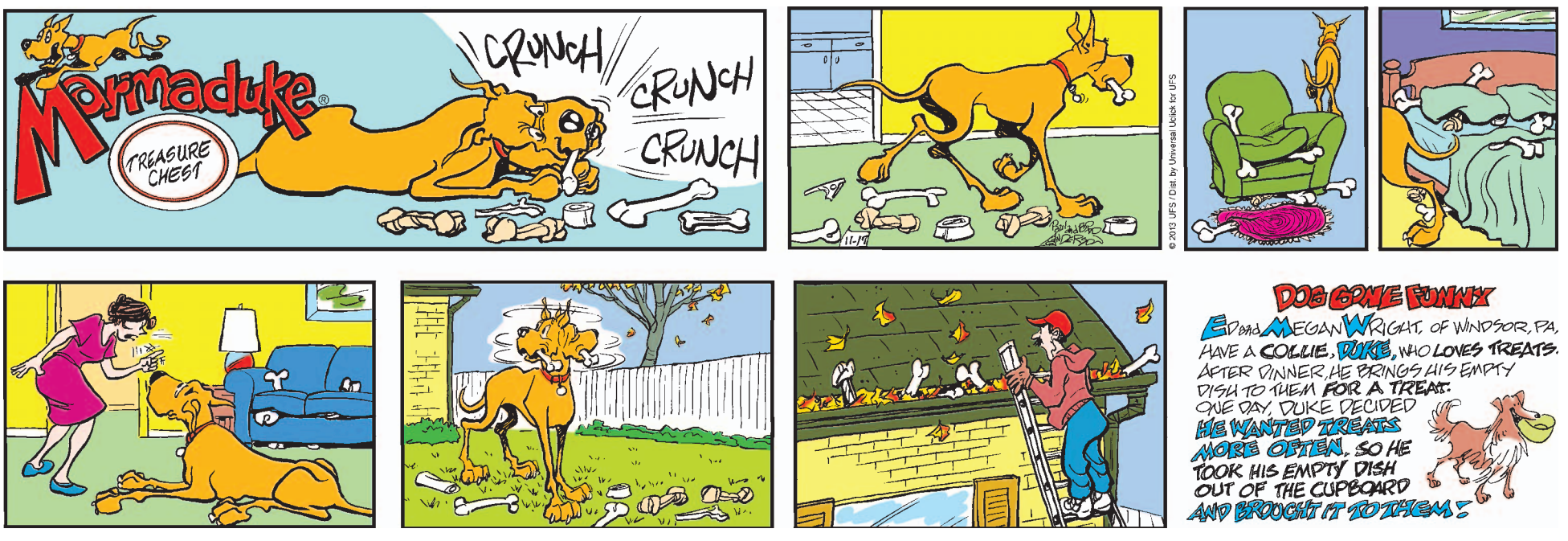
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TREASURE CHEST
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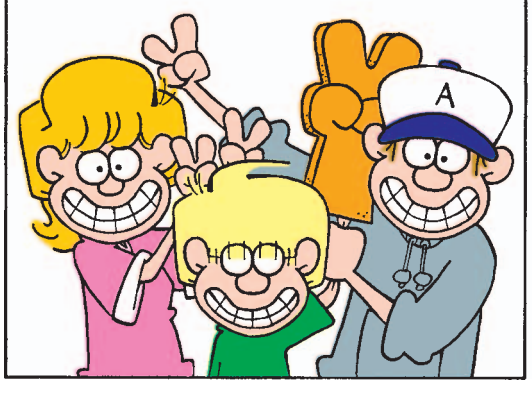
DOG GONE FUNNY
Ed and Megan Wright, of Windsor, PA, have a collie, Duke, who loves treats. After dinner, he brings his empty dish to them for a treat. One day, Duke decided he wanted treats more often, so he took his empty dish out of the cupboard and brought it to them!

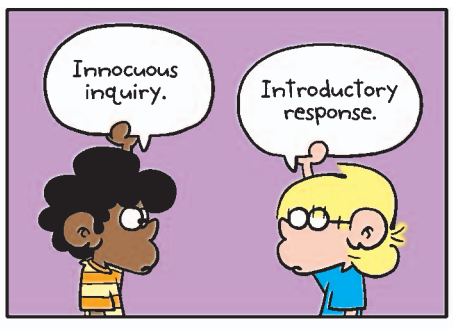
Baby Blues

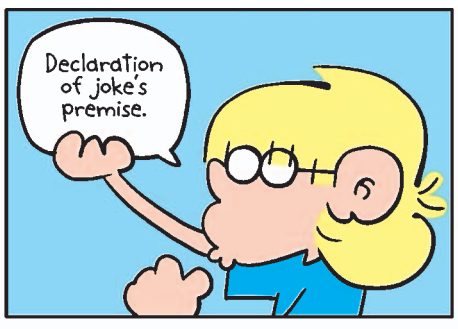
By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

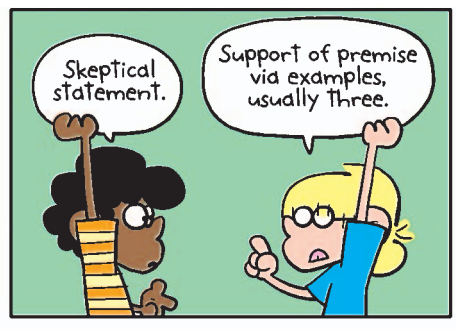
FoxTrot

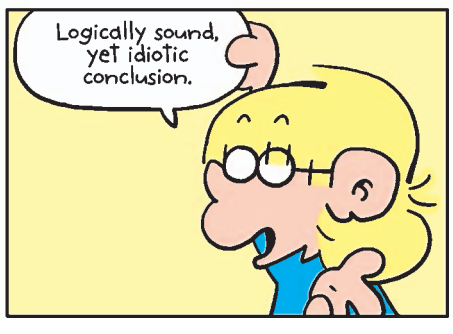
by Bill Amend











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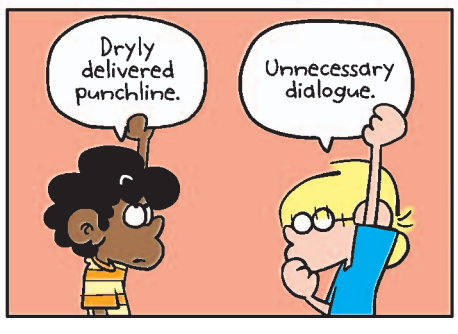

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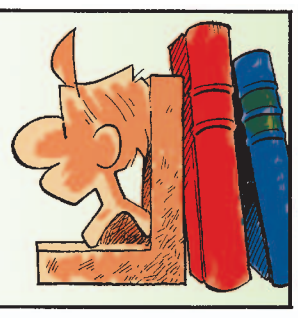

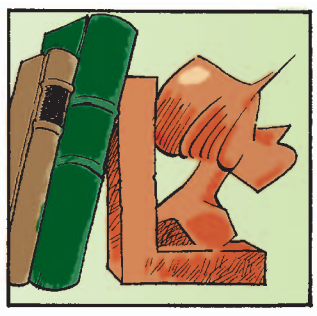

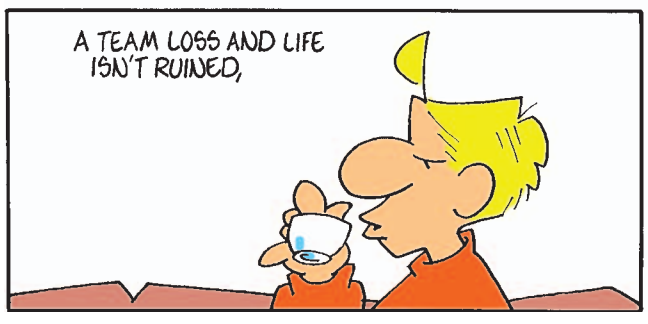

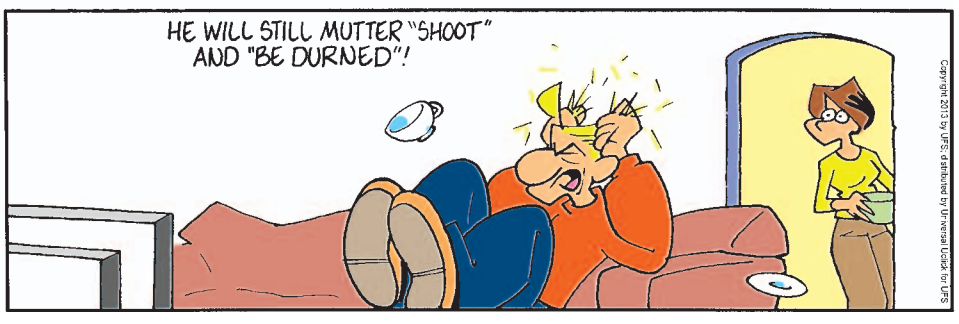

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featuring "Good ol' CharlieBrown"

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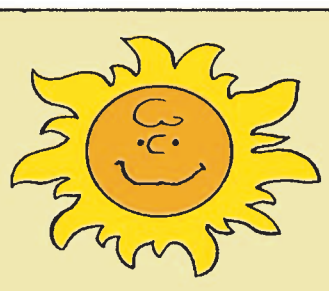

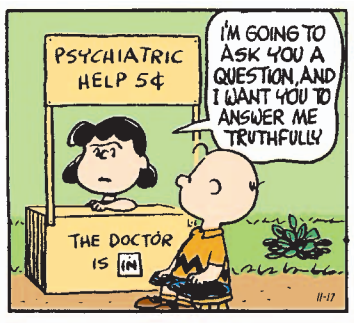

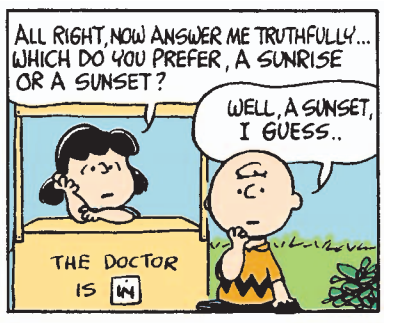

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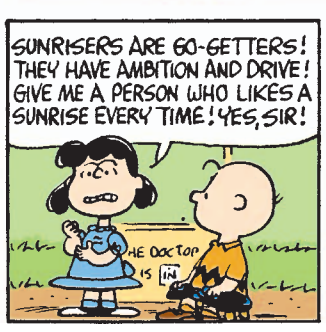

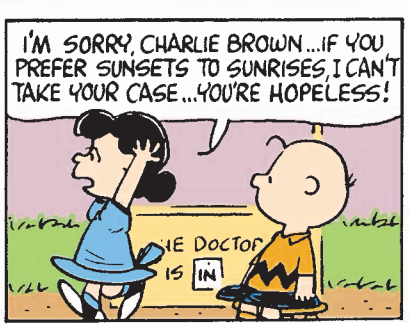

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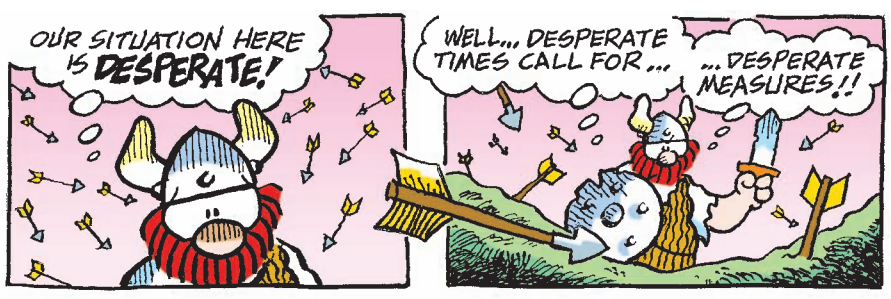

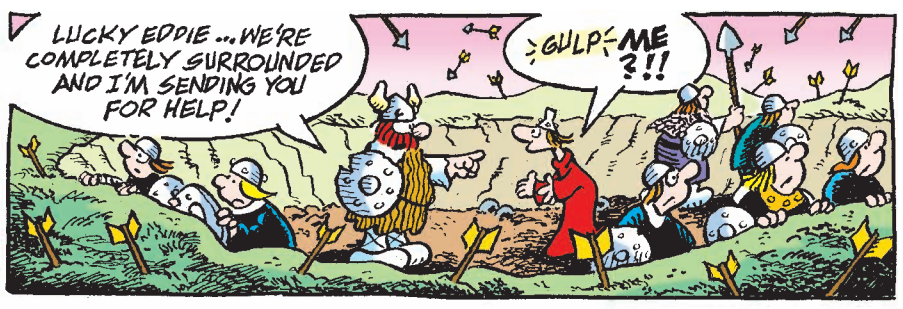

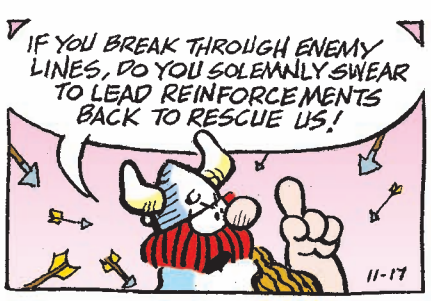

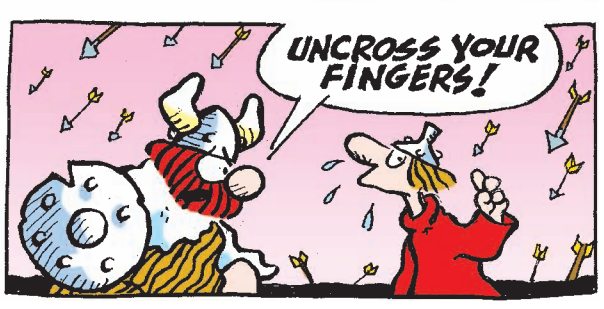

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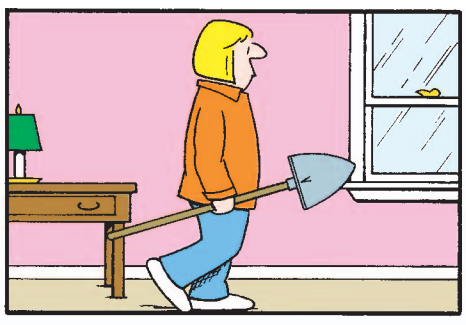

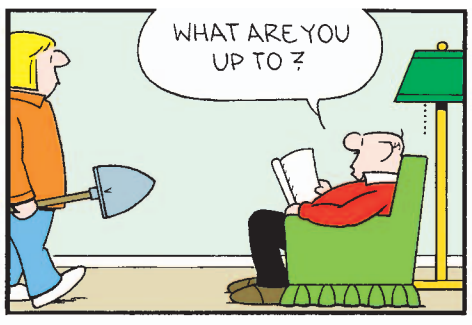

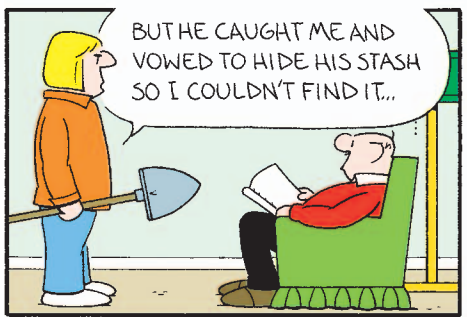

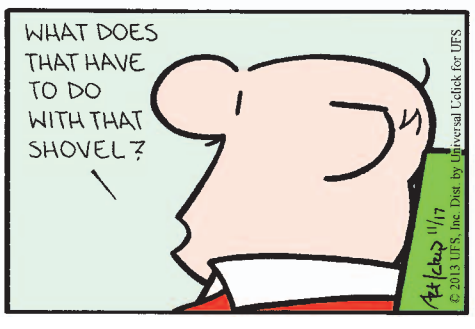

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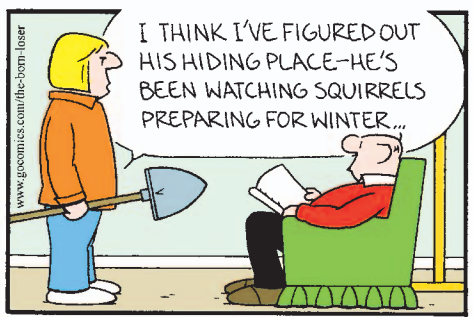

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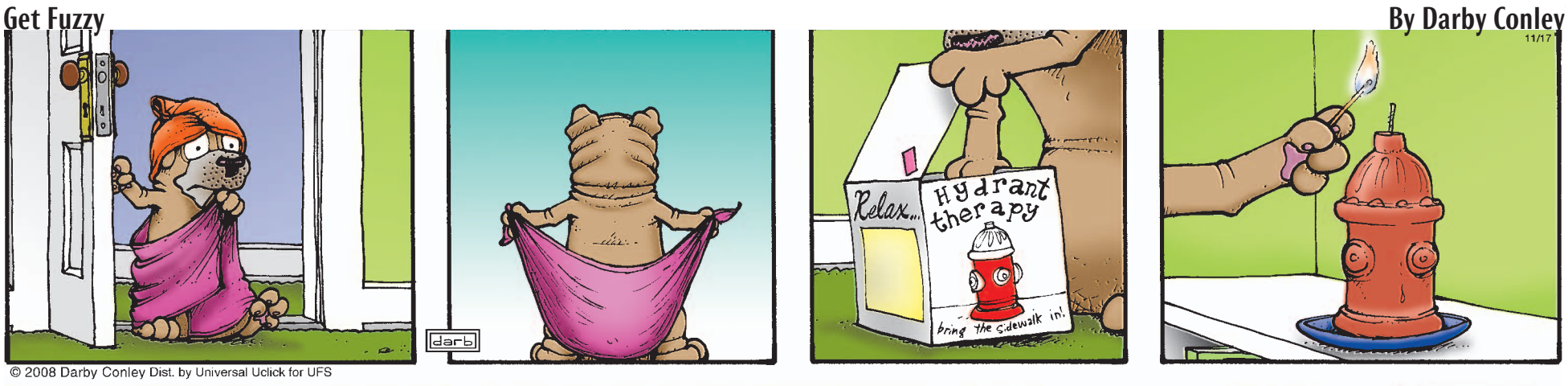

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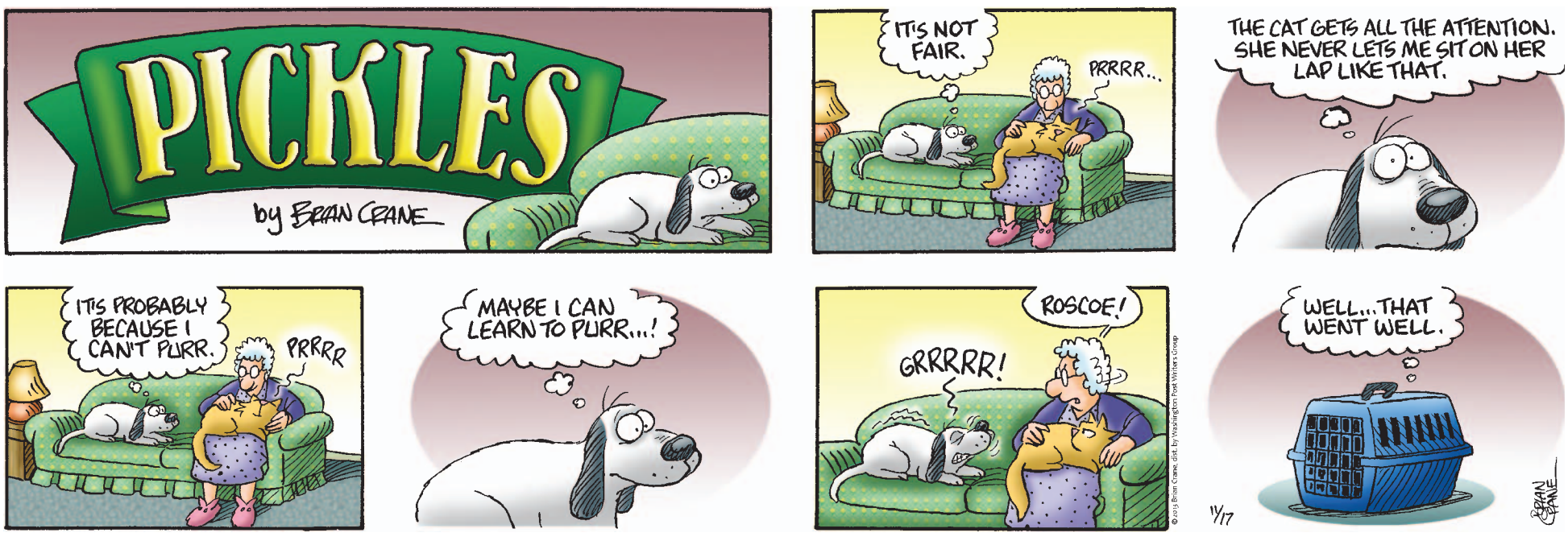

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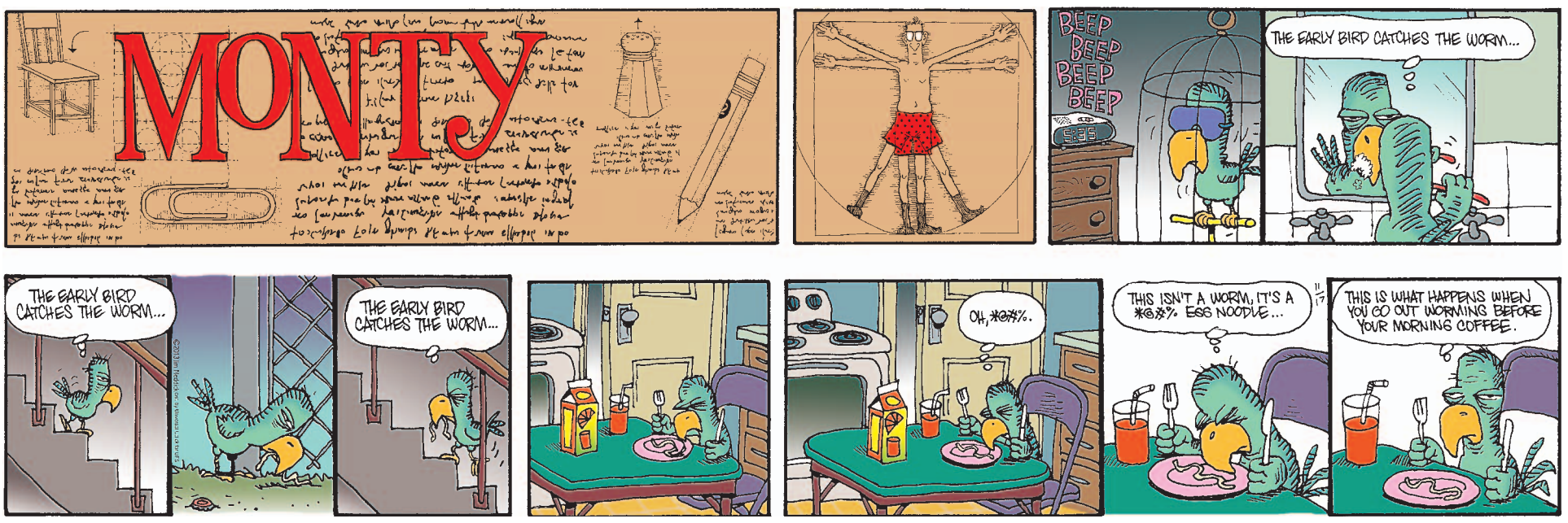
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THE EARLY BIRD CATCHES THE WORM...
THE EARLY BIRD CATCHES THE WORM...
THE EARLY BIRD CATCHES THE WORM...
OH, *@&%.
THIS ISN'T A WORM, IT'S A *@&% EGG NOODLE...
THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU GO OUT WORMING BEFORE YOUR MORNING COFFEE.
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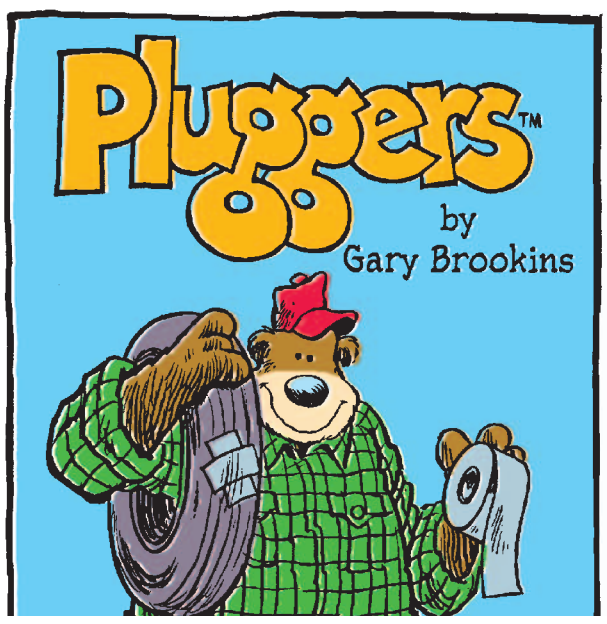

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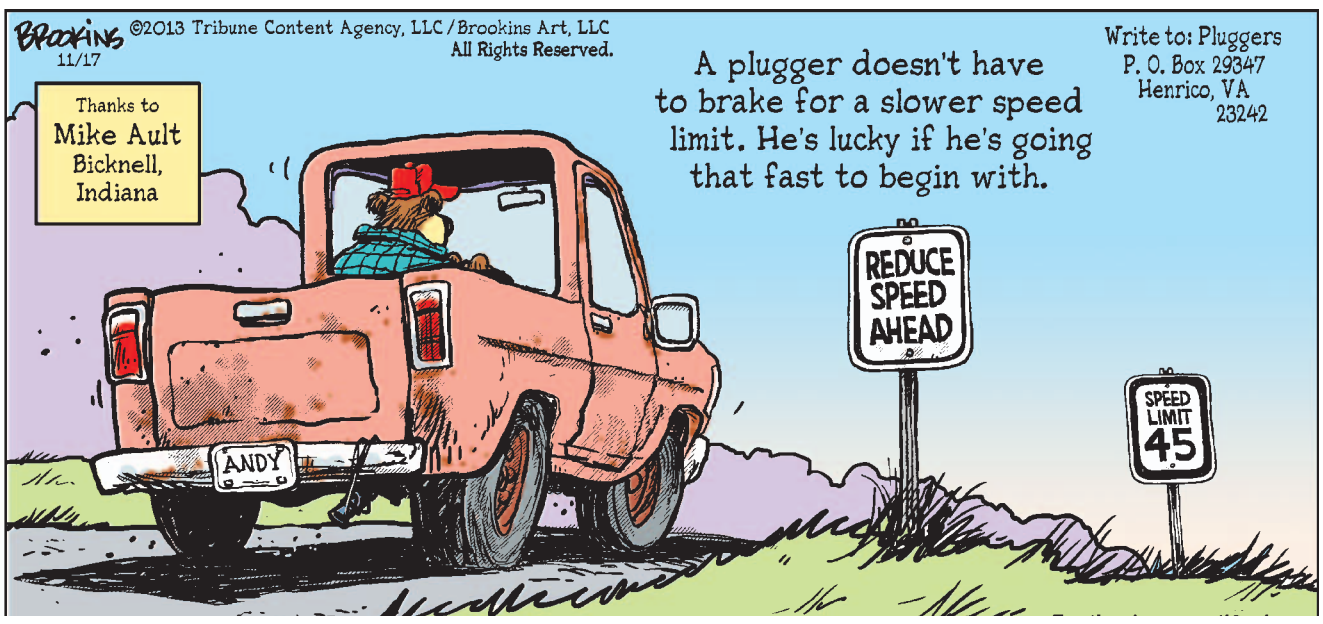
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